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OSSIPEE CENTRAL SCHOOL'S NEW BASEBALL FIELD

ANNUAL REPORT 2004

SELECTMEN OF OSSIPEE

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New Hampshire

Tax Rates

\$15.12 per \$1,000

Ratio - 100%

		Center Ossipee	West Ossipee	Ossipee Corner
Town	4.67	4.67	4.67	4.67
County	.80	.80	.80	.80
Town School	6.82	6.82	6.82	6.82
State School	2.83	2.83	2.83	2.83
Fire Precinct		1.30	1.50	1.29
Total Rates	\$15.12	\$16.42	\$16.62	\$16.41

**For the Fiscal Year Ending
December 31, 2004
Vital Statistics for 2004**

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Town	County	Town School	State School	First Precinct	Total Rates
4.52	80	6.82	2.82	1.20	\$12.12
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THE YEAR OF 2004, WE HONOR AND SALUTE ALL THE MANY AMERICAN VETERANS WHO THROUGHOUT OUR HISTORY, HAVE UNSELFISHLY PLACED THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE FOR OUR FREEDOM.



"Employee of the Year"



Barbara R. Adams

The Ossipee "Employee of the Year" for the year 2003 is bestowed upon Barbara R. Adams with great pride and appreciation.

Barbara and her family (husband Gil, children Gilly, Diane) moved to Ossipee in April 1973. One Year later Robert was born.

Some of you may remember seeing Barbara working at the Town Line Restaurant on Rte. 25, and later she started making costumes which led to working jointly with her husband Gil at the "Ossipee Rental". She came to work for the Town as their Town Clerk/Tax Collector in April of 1985. When Barbara first took this position she didn't know what she was getting herself into. Many nights (until midnight) Barbara and Gil spent at the Town Hall working to catch-up and prepare for the next day. Her organization skills have certainly been a great asset to this position.

Barbara is a member of the NH Town Clerk's Association and the NH Tax Collector's Association.

It's not unusual to see Barbara volunteer on committees and serve them well. Barb maintains the business listings for the "Old Home Week Committee", a past volunteer for the "Little League", and does little side jobs, such as planting and watering the plants in front of the Town Hall.

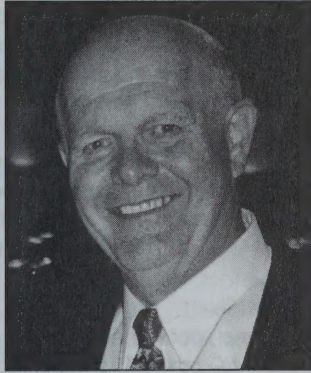
We think everyone would agree that Barbara and her staff certainly run a very efficient and friendly office. Everyone is greeted with kindness and respect when entering her office.

Wherever Barbara represents this Town, we know she provides us the best representation possible.

We are very proud and honored to have Barbara as part of our Town.

It is with great pride and pleasure that we, the Board of Selectmen, Town Employees, and our Townspeople honor Barbara R. Adams with the award of "Employee of the Year" for 2003.

Roland C. Stockbridge
"Citizen of the Year 2004"
Town of Ossipee



Roland C. Stockbridge has been chosen to receive the 2004 Citizen of the Year Award for the Town of Ossipee. This annual presentation is based on volunteer service to the community, and unselfish acts of benevolence towards its residents.

Roland was born Oct. 29, 1939, a twin to Richard and has two other brothers, Willard Jr., and Dennis. He is the son of Willard and Lavinia Stockbridge of Ossipee.

Roland received the Ossipee Rotary Club "Good Citizen" award for service to his community as a young boy in 1955.

He attended Ossipee Central School and Kennett High School graduating in 1958. He was Class President for his junior/senior years. He was also President of the Student Council during these two years.

Roland was co-captain of his football team in his junior year and captain in his senior year.

Roland married Loretta in October of 1959, and they have three children, Glenn, Wayne and Sandra, four granddaughters and one grandson.

Roland has served his Town and Country in many ways such as:

- Member of the State of NH "Ground Observer Corp. Air Defense Team"
- Eight years in NH National Guard - receiving an Honorable Discharge
- State of NH as Deputy Fire Warden between 1972-2000
- State of NH and Community as a Justice of the Peace for 3 terms
- Boy Scoutmaster for Troop 234 for six years
- A volunteer Little League coach for a few years
- Center Ossipee Fire Department for 42 years, as chief for 32 years

The Ossiipee Valley Mutual Aide Association as president for 7 years; he was one of its founding members
Center Ossiipee Fire Precinct Commissioner for two and a half terms
Member of the Moultonville United Methodist Church serving as a local pastor in Sanbornville and Newfield, Me. for two years
Served the Carroll County Jail and House of Corrections as Chaplain for two years, and he is currently serving as a lay leader at the Moultonville Church

Roland was employed by the Ossiipee Water Company as the general manager. He was employed by the Town of Ossiipee as Water & Sewer Superintendent for 18 years. During this time the new water main, hydrants, wells, storage tank and sewer system facilities were installed. He served the Town as its Health Officer for two years.

Roland has often said "the time spent in each of the capacities is not for gain or prestige but for the service to others", which he offers as his Christian commitment to Our Lord. Congratulations Roland.

Joseph G. Chromy, Chairman
Peter A. Olkkola
Harry C. Merrow
SELECTMEN OF OSSIIPEE

Dedicated to Ossipee Selectmen Who Served from 1900-2004

Dana J. Brown	1900-1904	George L. Campbell	1938-1941
	1914-1916	Clyde B. Drinkwater	1940-1948
Orodon P. Hobbs	1900-1904	Charles F. Meloon	1941-1943
	1914-1916	Harry M. Leavitt	1943-1946
Newell P. Sias	1900-1902	R. Grant Kramer	1945-1948
	1907-1909	George E. Pearson	1948-1949
	1911-1913	Richard E. Brown	1948-1949
	1923-1926	Earl T. Merrow	1949-1950
Levi W. Brown	1903-1905	Murray E. Cate	1949-1951
Charles A. White	1905-1906	Albert P. Ballard	1949-1951
L.E. Moulton	1905-1906	Harold C. Neal	1951-1964
Thomas Nute	1906-1906	Douglas McFarlane	1951-1971
Hebert W. Hobbs	1907-1908	Rolland W. Lord	1951-1969
	1912-1913	Henry Wagenfeld, Jr.	1965-1967
Charles A. Wiggin	1907-1908	Edward Hickey	1968-1970
Mark H. Winkley	1909-1910	E. Morton Leavitt	1970-1973
Joseph W. Chamberlain	1909-1910	Roger H. Busch	1971-1979
Charles Thompson	1911-1912	David Helme	1972-1974
	1934-1937		1982-1982
Fred W. Hurn	1912-1913	Edwin P. Brownell	1973-1975
Bartley A. Carleton	1914-1914	Bruce Rines	1975-1977
Ervin W. Hodsdon	1915-1920	Douglas Meader	1976-1981
Charles E. Smart	1915-1919		1989-1990
	1922-1925	Franklin R. Riley	1978-1980
Howard E. Young	1915-1919	William K. Malay	1980-1981
Walter L. Hodson	1920-1920	Wendell S. Thompson	1981-1986
John W. Pike	1920-1922	Warren F. Witherell	1982-1984
Walter L. Robinson	1921-1923	Ralph C. Eldridge	1983-1990
George B. Reed	1921-1922	Maurice E. Bishop	1985-1986
Walter S. Welch	1922-1924	R. Christopher Templeton	1986-1988
Perley O. Nichols	1924-1927	Natalie Hall	1987-1989
	1930-1933	John E. Fogarty, III	1990-1992
William H. Pascoe	1925-1928	Wayne K. Aleska	1991-1993
Harry P. Smart	1926-1938	John P. Picard	1991-1994
	1943-1944	Joseph G. Skehan, Jr.	1993-1998
Arthur L. Mason	1927-1930	Patricia H. Jones	1994-1999
Sidney L. Perkins	1928-1934	Sandra P. Martin	1995-1997
Lisle O. Moulton	1933-1936		1999-2001
Edward G. Coughlin	1936-1942	Harry C. Merrow	1998-
Perley Loud	1937-1938	Peter A. Olkkola	2000-
Lester G. Buswell	1938-1940	Joseph G. Chromy	2002-
	1947-1948		

2004 ELECTED TOWN OFFICERS

Three Member Board of Selectmen

Joseph G. Chromy	Term Expires 3/2005
Peter A. Olkkola	Term Expires 3/2006
Harry C. Merrow	Term Expires 3/2007

Moderator

Donald N. Meader	Term Expires 3/2006
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Treasurer

Kellie J. Skehan	Term Expires 3/2006
Natalie V. Hall, Deputy	

Town Clerk / Tax Collector

Barbara R. Adams	Term Expires 3/2007
Patricia A. Hodge, Deputy	

Three Member Board of Trustees of Trust Funds

June C. Loud	Term Expires 3/2005
Phyllis (Nan) Egan	Term Expires 3/2006
Michelle J. Capone, Secretary	Term Expires 3/2007

Three Member Board of Cemetery Trustees

James L. Dimarzio	Term Expires 3/2005
Vacant	Term Expires 3/2006
Stephen P. Capone	Term Expires 3/2007

Five Member Board of Library Trustees

Elizabeth S. Rouner	Term Expires 3/2005
Natalie J. Peterson	Term Expires 3/2005
Eileen B. Leavitt	Term Expires 3/2006
Elizabeth H. Sanders	Term Expires 3/2006
Susan Day	Term Expires 3/2007
Brooke Rines, Apt. Alternate	11/04/04

Six Member Budget Committee

Donna E. Sargent	Term Expires 3/2005
Ann L. Johnson	Term Expires 3/2005
Lynne Elaine Parker	Term Expires 3/2006
Mark E. Wright	Term Expires 3/2006
Belinda W. Cullen, Chm.	Term Expires 3/2007
Mark P. Simpson	Term Expires 3/2007
Fire Reps: Paula D. Jay West Ossipee; Beverly Loud, Ctr. Ossipee; Robert W. Morin, Ossipee	

Three Member Supervisors of the Checklist

Kathleen Parsons	Term Expires 3/2006
Laurence M. Brownell, Chm. Resigned 1/22/04	Term Expires 3/2008
Jean Marie Simpson, Apt. 1/28/04	
Janice L. Tully	Term Expires 3/2010

Seven Member Planning Board

David L. Haag	Term Expires 3/2005
Bruce Parsons, Apt. 12/06/04	
P. Bridget Perry	Term Expires 3/2005
Ralph R. Buchanan, Chm.	Term Expires 3/2006
Thomas W. Dodge, V-Chm.	Term Expires 3/2006
Bruce K. Boutin	Term Expires 3/2007
Robert R. Rivera	Term Expires 3/2007
Bruce Parsons, Apt. Alt. 4/07/04	
Henry W. Granahan, Apt. Alt. 5/03/04	
Michelle K. McGee, Apt. Alt. 12/13/04	
Patricia H. Jones, Secretary	

Three Member Water/Sewer Commission

Elliott A. Harris, Jr.	Term Expires 3/2005
L. Randy Lyman, Chm	Term Expires 3/2006
June C. Loud	Term Expires 3/2007

Five Member Zoning Board of Adjustment

David L. Babson, Jr	Term Expires 3/2005
Mark E. McConkey, Chm	Term Expires 3/2005
Jean Marie Simpson	Term Expires 3/2006
Joseph H. Deighan	Term Expires 3/2006
Lisa L. Hinkley	Term Expires 3/2007
Bruce K. Boutin, Apt. Alt. 6/08/04	
Eleanor Prudhomme, Alt.	
W. Robert Burton, Alt.	
Patricia H. Jones, Secretary	

APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

Town Administrator

Martha B. Eldridge

Board of Health

Martha B. Eldridge David A. Senecal

Boat Tax Collectors

Ward's Boat Shop - Expo North

Chief of Police
Richard H. Morgan

Timber Monitor
Position Eliminated

Seven Member Conservation Commission

Ralph R. Buchanan, V-Chm.	Term Expires 3/2005
Andrew K. Northrop	Term Expires 3/2005
Sandra K. McGlinchey	Term Expires 3/2006
Timothy R. Nolin, Chm.	Term Expires 3/2006
Maria S. Laguardia, Resigned	Term Expires 3/2007
John E. Smith	Term Expires 3/2007
Thomas Dodge, Forestry Subcommittee	
Patricia H. Jones, Secretary	

Ossipee Dam Authority
Harry C. Merrow John P. Picard Peter A. Olkkola
Joseph G. Chromy

Dog Warden
Ann L. Johnson, Resigned
Warren M. Skelling
10/04/04 Vacant

Emergency Management
Bradley W. Eldridge
Randy Hayford

Fire Department Chiefs
Michael Brownell - Center Ossipee Adam T. Riley - Ossipee
Bradley W. Eldridge - West Ossipee

Forest Fire Warden
Keith J. Brown

Highway Foreman
Bruce E. Williams

Lakes Region Planning
Patricia H. Jones Mark E. McConkey

Librarian
Yvonne Fisher

Mt. Washington Valley Economic Council

Patricia H. Jones, Board Member

Town Representatives

Donna E. Sargent - Margie W. Vacca, Alt.

Ossipee Recreation Department

Peter J. Waugh, Director

Ossipee Parents for Recreation

Yvonne S. Bochicchio Lisa A. Boggs Steven Sheffer

Heidi Jean Cronin Maureen E. Jamison

Public Works Director

Douglas R. Sargent, CSI, MASCE, Resigned 1/2004

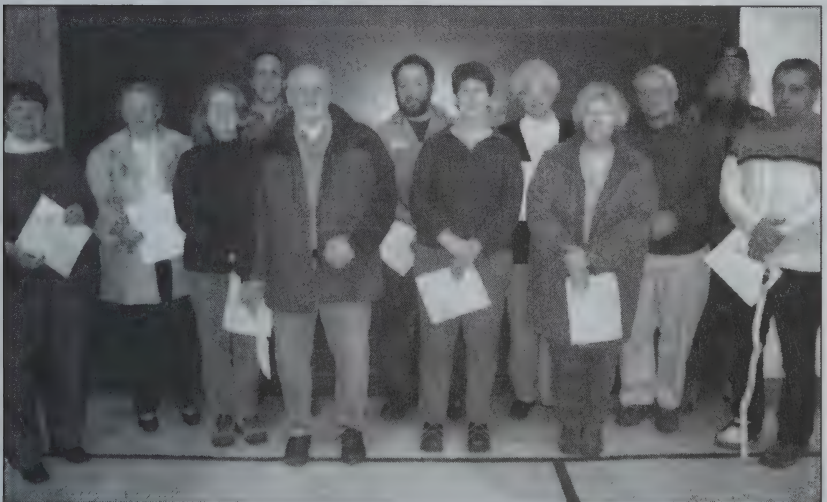
Position Closed

Welfare Director

Martha B. Eldridge

Zoning Enforcement Officer

David A. Senecal



Swearing In - Newly elected officials: (from left) Town Clerk/Tax Collector Barbara Adams, Checklist Supervisor Janice Tully, Trustee of Trust Funds Michelle Capone, Budget Committee Member Mark Simpson, Cemetery Trustee Stephen Capone, Planning Board Member Bruce Boutin, Zoning Board Member Lisa Hinckley, Library Trustee Susan Day, Budget Committee Member Belinda Cullen, Selectman Harry Merrow, Cemetery Trustee James Dimarzio, and Planning Board Member Robert Rivera. Not pictured are Moderator Donald Meader and Water/Sewer Commissioner June Loud.

OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS

Ossipee State Representatives

David L. Babson, Jr.
Mark E. McConkey
Harry C. Merrow

President

George W. Bush

First District Congress

Jeb Bradley

Vice President

Dick Cheney

Senate

Judd Gregg
John E. Sununu

Governor

Craig Benson

Executive Council District 1

Raymond S. Burton

Secretary of State

William M. Gardner

District 3 Senator

Joseph Kenney

ELECTIONS - MARCH 9, 2004

10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Polls opened at 10:00 AM by Moderator, Donald N. Meader. Assistant Moderator, Susan Legendre filled in during the day. After the flag presentation Rev. Peter Balentine gave the invocation. The empty ballot box was displayed and locked. We began reading the absentee ballots at 1:30 PM.

ARTICLE I:

The following were elected:

Selectman	Three Years	Harry C. Merrow
Moderator	Two Years	Donald N. Meader
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Three Years	Barbara R. Adams
Sup. Of Checklist	Six Years	Janice L. Tully
Planning Board	Three Years	Bruce K. Boutin
Planning Board	Three Years	Robert R. Rivera
Library Trustee	Three Years	Susan Day
Budget Committee	Three Years	Belinda W. Cullen
Budget Committee	Three Years	Mark P. Simpson
Cemetery Trustee	One Year	James L. Dimarzio
Cemetery Trustee	Two Years	Stephen P. Capone
Cemetery Trustee	Three Years	Vacant
Water/Sewer Comm.	Three Years	June C. Loud
Zoning Board Member	Three Years	Lisa Hinckley
Trustee of Trust Funds	Three Years	Michelle J. Capone

ARTICLE II:

Are you in favor of the adoption of Admendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amendment relaxes certain requirements of the zoning ordinance as they relate to multi-family dwellings? (Approved by Planning Board)

YES 164

NO 250

DEFEATED

ARTICLE III:

Are you in favor of changing the Ossipee Zoning Ordinance to rezone the parcel of land, tax map 13, lot 120, doing business as Deer Cap, from rural/residential zone to roadside commercial zone to bring it in compliance with the zoning of the surrounding area? Submitted by petition (Approved by Planning Board)

YES 286

NO 134

PASSED

Registered Voters:	Republican	1,072
	Democratic	562
	Undeclared	<u>1,110</u>
	Total	2,744

Election Staff: Karen Thurber, Natalie Hall, Yvonne McElwain and Linda White, Trish Hodge, Linda Morgan, Sue Legendre and Barbara R. Adams.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara R. Adams
Town Clerk



Town Hall Christmas Party Yankee Swap
Mellisa Ferland and Dave Wiley from Assessing Dept. Sue Simpson and Linda White

Town of Ossipee

Abridged Annual Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2004

Moderator Donald N. Meader called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. We joined in with the Pledge of Allegiance. Reverend David Morgan gave the Invocation.

Introductions of the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee and Attorney Richard Sager were made. The moderator read the rules of the meeting. The results of Tuesday's election were read. The moderator explained Article #4 will be read and voted, line by line. Non-voters wishing to speak were Marge Webster on Article 28 and health agencies. Joseph Costello on Article 28. No objections were stated.

We have requests for three articles to be voted via secret ballot on Article 4, CAP, Article 28 and Article 29. Harry Merrow addressed the body stating if estimated revenues, billings, etc. are as anticipated the budget before us should increase our town tax by thirty-five cents.

Article #4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee recommended sum of three million five hundred sixty one thousand three hundred ninety five dollars (\$3,561,395) for general municipal operations. (\$3,562,480) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

	Selectmen	Budget Committee
Conservation Agent	\$ 3,000.00	
Selectmen's Salaries	12,200.00	
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	171,501.00	
Elections & Registration	9,145.00	
Treasurer printed	4,434.00	
Correction should be	8,434.00	
Selectmen's Office	323,823.00	320,823.00
Economic Development	450.00	
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	7,694.00	
Legal	50,000.00	
Planning Board	18,239.00	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	7,269.00	
Government Building	126,548.00	126,338.00
Trustee of Trust Funds	3,630.00	
Cemeteries	14,868.00	
Insurance	92,020.00	
Police Department	466,882.00	
Police Special Duty Pay	32,873.00	

Dog Officer		10,609.00	
Fire Warden		24,400.00	
Zoning Enforcement Officer		55,248.00	
Highway		770,050.00	
Street Lighting		2,600.00	
Incinerator		351,375.00	350,925.00
Health Agencies	69,944.00		72,519.00
OCC	15,000.00		
VNA	25,182.00		
CC MENTAL HEALTH	4,425.00		2,000.00
CAP	0.00		5,000.00
OSSIPEE CHILDREN	10,000.00		
STARTING POINT	1,200.00		
FAMILY SUPPORT	1,000.00		
OSSIPEE PRE-SCHOOL	1,500.00		
AGAPE	6,000.00		
MEDICATION BRIDGE	1,800.00		
AM RED CROSS	1,350.00		
WHITE MTN. HEALTH	2,487.00		

Vote on the original \$72,519.00 passed.

Ambulance		100,568.00	
Emergency Management		3,400.00	
General Assistance	50,000	25,000.00	
Recreation		122,598.00	
Library		128,808.00	
Patriotic Purposes	900.00	4,400.00	

Moved to increase Patriotic Purposes to \$4,400. The increase of \$3,500 will be to allow the Historical Society their request, which was omitted in error. Recommended by DRA we raise money through this line item.

Conservation Commission		1,769.00	
Long Term Debt Principle		178,699.00	
Long Term Debt Interest		22,639.00	
Interest on Line of Credit		10,000.00	
Water		182,061.00	
Sewer	123,238.00	128,238.00	

Total 3,562,480.00 3,561,395.00

ARTICLE #4 PASSED \$ 3,539,895.00

Article #5: To see if the Town will vote and to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) for the repair and improvement of Town Roads. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #5 PASSED (No discussion)

Article #6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) to be placed in the Solid Waste Capital

Reserve Fund, which was established to fund the purchase of equipment at the Incinerator. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #6 PASSED

Article #7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) for repairs and improvements to the Town Hall. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #7 PASSED

Article #8: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for improvements to the Solid Waste Facility and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #8 PASSED

Article #9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty three thousand two hundred seventy dollars (\$63,270.00) for the purpose of paying the Ossipee Water System's bond payment for one (1) year. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)
Selectman Merrow made a motion to pass this as is. He said, ten years ago the town voted to put a new water system in. Commissioner Lyman said it now serves 800 people. If the town does not pass this it would have to be born by the users. Merrow urged passage of this.

ARTICLE #9 PASSED (No discussion)

Article #10: To see if the Town will vote to create an expendable trust fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19-a, to be known as the Invasive Species Control Fund for preventing and treating milfoil in Ossipee Lake and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be placed in the fund, and to designate the selectmen as agents to expend. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #10 PASSED

Article #11: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) for the repair of the Mill Pond Dam. This amount will be used in conjunction with the \$60,000.00 appropriated at the 2003 Annual Meeting to complete the dam repairs during 2004. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #11 PASSED

Article #12: To see if the Town will vote and to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #12 PASSED

Article #13: To see if the Town will, pursuant to RSA 231:43, discontinue as a public road, that portion of South Shore Road which crosses over and is located

on the following properties: Tax Map 37, Lots 12 and 13, property of Wayne J. and Lorraine Willwerth, Tax Map 37, Lot 14, property of Steven and Rebecca Whitney, Tax Map 37, Lot 15, property of Alan and Patricia Lajoie, Tax Map 37, Lot 16, property of Rudolph Melk, Jr., Tax Map 37, Lot 17, property of Barry and Ann Huston, Trustees of the Huston Living Trust. (Recommended by Selectmen 2-1)

ARTICLE #13 DEFEATED

Article #14: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:35 I-a, for an optional veteran's tax credit of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) for service-connected total disability on residential property and replace the standard tax credit in its entirety? (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #14 PASSED

Article #15: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28, II & IV, for an optional veteran's tax credit of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) on residential property and replace the standard tax credit in its entirety? (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #15 PASSED

Article #16: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:29-a, II, for an optional tax credit of two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) on the real and personal property of the surviving spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or any of the armed forces of any of the governments associated with the United States in the wars, conflicts or armed conflicts, or combat zones set forth in RSA 72:28? (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #16 PASSED (No discussion)

Article #17: Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Ossipee, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00); for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00); for a person 80 years of age or older, eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000.00). To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) or, if married, a combined net income of less than thirty two thousand dollars (\$32,000.00); and own net assets not in excess of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00) excluding the value of the person's residence? (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #17 PASSED (No discussion)

Article #18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00) for the purpose of upgrading the computers, purchasing a photocopier, and upgrading the phone system. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #18 PASSED

Article #19: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a three (3) year lease-purchase agreement for twenty eight thousand two hundred ninety three dollars (\$28,293.00) for the purpose of leasing a police cruiser with equipment, and to raise and appropriate the sum of nine thousand four hundred thirty one dollars (\$9,431.00) for the first year's payment. This lease agreement contains an escape clause. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #19 PASSED (No discussion)

Article #20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500.00) to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund previously established, for the purpose of purchasing fire apparatus for the Forest Fire Warden's Department and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #20 PASSED

Article #21: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the lease of the "Fish Hatchery" property on Route 16 (Tax Map 22, Lot 51) to Southegan Valley Aquaculture, Inc. for an initial three-year term, renewable up to a total of fifteen years, with the initial rent of \$7,200.00 per year for the first three-year term. (Recommended by Selectmen 2-1)

ARTICLE # 21 PASSED

Article #22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) for the purpose of periodically acquiring equipment, tools, protective clothing, training, etc. for emergency response. The amount appropriated pursuant to this article shall be automatically reimbursed by funds received from grants. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #22 PASSED (No discussion)

Article #23: To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the capital reserve fund created in 1995 for the purpose of repairing state owned roadways. Said funds, with accumulated interest to the date of withdrawal (estimated to be approximately \$25,900.00) are to be transferred to the Town's general fund. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0)

ARTICLE #23 DEFEATED

Article #24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty nine thousand five hundred dollars (\$159,500.00) to purchase a new highway road grader and authorize the withdrawal of sixty-four thousand seven hundred eighty six dollars (64,786.00) from the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of ninety-four thousand seven hundred fourteen dollars (\$94,714.00) is to come from fund balance (surplus) and no amount to be raised from taxation. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee not to exceed \$159,500.00)

ARTICLE #24 PASSED

Article #25: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to install a water well and to install electric power at the Sewage Treatment Facility (Camp David) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #25 PASSED (No discussion)

Article #26: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) for repairs and improvements to Town Recreation Facilities. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #26 PASSED (No discussion)

Article #27: To see if the Town will vote to accept Staag Drive as a Class V (town-owned and maintained) road with a right of way width of 24 feet and a length of 606 feet. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #27 PASSED AS AMENDED TO 16 1/2'

Article #28: To raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) for Tri-County Community Action for the purpose of continuing services for the Fuel Assistance Program for the residents of Ossipee. (Submitted by petition) (Not recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Not recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #28 DEFEATED 57 YES 67 NO

Article #29: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000) and authorize the payment of the same to the Water and Sewer Commissioners to be divided as follows: One thousand dollars (\$1000) to the Chairman and five hundred dollars (\$500) to each remaining Commissioner. Payment is as compensation for the time they expend in the managing of the Water and Sewer Systems and overseeing it's employees and is to be paid annually at the end of the calendar year. Said amount is to come from user fees. (Selectmen vote - 1 Recommended, 1 Abstained, 1 Not Recommended) (Recommended by Budget Committee) (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE #29 PASSED 90 YES 20 NO

Article #30: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for a local Main Street Program. Pursuant to RSA 32:3; VI, this sum will be a non-lapsing, non-transferable account and will not lapse until the project is complete or in three (3) years, whichever is less. This will only be funded if the Town is selected to participate in the NH Main Street Program. (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

ARTICLE #30 PASSED

Article #31: The School's Out Program is requesting \$1,000.00 from the town to help fund the construction of a rock-climbing wall in the Ossipee Central School gymnasium. The rock-climbing wall will be similar to the existing walls in the Governor Wentworth Schools and could be utilized by the school as well as the community. (Submitted by Petition) (Not recommended by Selectmen) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee)

VOTE ON ARTICLE #31 PASSED Subject to legal means.

Article #32: We the people of the town of Ossipee, New Hampshire, in the month of March 2004, do hereby enact and include a "code of ethics" ordinance to be placed within our town charter that empowers each elected board and /or committee to remove from office any member of their particular elected board and/or committee who violates any rules, regulation or laws of the State of New Hampshire and, specifically, of the Town of Ossipee, or fails to faithfully or impartially discharge and perform all duties incumbent upon them. In addition, the Board of Selectmen, as the governing body of the town, shall hereby have the right to recall or remove any elected official from any of the elected boards and/or committees who is proven to have violated this "code of ethics" ordinance. (Submitted by petition)

ARTICLE #32 PASSED OVER

Article #33: To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees.

ARTICLE #33 No requests

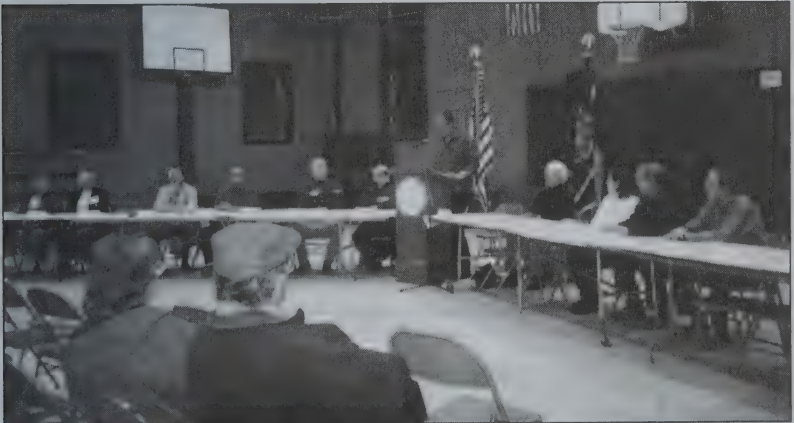
Article #34: To conduct any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

177 Voters registered at this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara R. Adams
Town Clerk

Full copy of minutes on file in the Clerk's Office.



Candidates Night - Feb. 28, 2004
Emcee: Chief Richard Morgan

Presidential Primary January 27, 2004

Polls opened at 8:00 AM by Assistant Moderator Lindalee Lambert. Rev. James Waugh gave the Invocation followed by the flag presentation. We began processing Absentee Ballots at 1:00 PM.

The polls were closed at 7:00 PM. The ballot count was completed at 8:30 and the results were read by Assistant Moderator, George Earnshaw, as follows:

<u>President - Republican Ballot:</u>		<u>Vice-President</u>	
George W. Bush	168	Flora Bleckner	19
John Buchanan	7	"Red" Jahncke	21

<u>President - Democratic</u>	
John F. Kerry	180
Howard Dean	131
John Edwards	64
Joe Lieberman	35

Total Republican Votes Cast	213	Regular	12	Absentee	=225
Total Democratic Votes Cast	<u>451</u>	Regular	<u>27</u>	Absentee	= <u>478</u>
	664		39		703

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara R. Adams
Town Clerk



Registered Voters:	Start of Day	Added	Final
Republican	1,112	1	1,113
Democratic	442	25	467
Undeclared	<u>1,153</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>1,169</u>
Totals	2,707	42	2,749

Town Of Ossipee

Minutes of Sept. 14, 2004 Primary

8:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Moderator Donald N. Meader, followed with the Pledge of Allegiance. Rev. James Waugh offered the invocation. The empty ballot box was displayed. We began the processing of 17 Absentee Ballots at 1:00 PM. Polls closed at 7:00 PM and ballot counting was completed at 8:30 PM. Assistant Moderator Susan Legendre read the results.

Registered Voters: Republican 1,080	Ballots Cast: Republican 240
Democratic 574	Democratic 131
Undeclared <u>1,140</u>	
Total 2,794	Total <u>371</u>
Undeclared Voters voting: Republican 49	Absentee Voters: Republican 11
Democratic 47	Democratic 6
	Not rec'd 9

Undeclared voters returning back to undeclared status: 65

New Registrations Election Day: Republican 8
Democratic 6

November 2, 2004 General Election

8:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Meeting called to order at 8:00 AM by Moderator Donald N. Meader, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Rev. James Waugh offered the invocation. The empty ballot boxes were displayed and locked. We began opening Absentee Ballots at 1:00 PM. The polls were closed at 7:00 PM and ballot counting was completed at 11:30 PM. There were two Assistant Moderators for this election, Susan Legendre and Lindalee Lambert.

This was the busiest election in many years. We were well prepared with excellent ballot clerks: Natalie Hall, Yvonne McElwain, Karen Thurber, Linda White, Henry and Janet Dolan, Paula Jay, Sandra Martin and Brooke Rines. I was assisted by Dep. Town Clerk Trish Hodge and Dep. Pro. Tem. Linda Morgan. Selectman Peter Olkkola assisted us with the counting process. The Supervisors of the Checklist were Jean Marie Simpson, Katherine Parsons and Janice Tully.

Registered Voters: Republican 1,116	Ballots Cast: 1,895
Democratic 587	Absentee <u>230</u>
Undeclared <u>1,203</u>	Total Cast 2,125
Subtotal 2,906	
Election Day Additions: <u>230</u>	
Final 3,136	

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara R. Adams
Town Clerk

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Ossipee
Ossipee, New Hampshire
February 9, 2005

We are providing this letter in connection with your audit of the financial statements of the Town of Ossipee as of December 31, 2004, and for the year then ended for the purpose of expressing opinions as to whether the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Ossipee and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. We confirm that we are responsible for the fair presentation of the previously mentioned financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. We are also responsible for adopting sound accounting policies, establishing and maintaining internal control, and preventing and detecting fraud.

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief the following representations made to you during your audit:

1. The financial statements referred to above are not fairly presented in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. This is because we have not implemented the financial reporting model required by GASB Statement No. 34. Our financial statements are in the format that was in effect prior to GASB Statement No. 34. Also, our financial statements do not include our capital assets for which we have not prepared an inventory valued at historical cost as required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

2. We have made available to you all:

- a. Financial records and related data.

- b. Minutes of the meetings of the Board of Selectmen, or summaries of actions of recent meetings for which minutes have not yet been prepared.

3. There have been no communications from regulatory agencies concerning noncompliance with, or deficiencies in, financial reporting practices.

4. There are no material transactions that have not been properly recorded in the accounting records underlying the financial statements.

5. We believe the effects of the uncorrected financial statement misstatements summarized in the attached schedule are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

6. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design and implementation of programs and controls to prevent and detect fraud.

7. We have no knowledge of any fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving:

- a. Management,

- b. Employees who have significant roles in internal control, or
- c. Others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.

8. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, analysts, regulators, or others.

9. The Town of Ossipee has no plans or intentions that may materially affect the carrying value or classification of assets, liabilities, or fund equity.

10. The following, if any, have been properly recorded or disclosed in the financial statements:

- a. Related party transactions, including revenues, expenditures/expenses, loans, transfers, leasing arrangements, and guarantees, and amounts receivable from or payable to related parties.

- b. Guarantees, whether written or oral, under which the Town of Ossipee is contingently liable.

- c. All accounting estimates that could be material to the financial statements, including the key factors and significant assumptions underlying those estimates, and we believe the estimates are reasonable in the circumstances.

11. We are responsible for compliance with the laws, regulations, and provisions of contracts and agreements applicable to us including tax on debt limits and debt contracts; and we have identified and disclosed to you all laws, regulations, and provisions of contracts and agreements that we believe have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts, including legal and contractual provisions for reporting specific activities in separate funds.

12. There are no:

- a. Violations or possible violations of budget ordinances, laws and regulations (including those pertaining to adopting and amending budgets), provisions of contracts and agreements, tax or debt limits, and any related debt covenants whose effects should be considered for disclosure in the financial statements or as a basis for recording a loss contingency.

- b. Unasserted claims or assessments that our lawyer has advised us are probable of assertion and must be disclosed in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement No. 5, Accounting for Contingencies.

- c. Other Liabilities or gain or loss contingencies that are required to be accrued or disclosed by FASB Statement No. 5.

- d. Reservations or designation of fund equity that were not properly authorized and approved.

13. the Town of Ossipee has satisfactory title to all owned assets, and there are no liens or encumbrances on such assets nor has any asset been pledged as collateral.

14. The Town of Ossipee has complied with all aspects of contractual agreements that would have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of noncompliance.

15. The financial statements include all component units as well as joint

ventures with an equity interest, and properly disclose all other joint ventures and other related organizations.

16. The financial statements do not classify all funds and activities as required by GASB Statement No. 34.

17. Provisions for uncollectible receivables have been properly identified and recorded.

18. Interfund, internal, and intra-entity activity and balances have been appropriately classified.

19. Special and extraordinary items, if any, are appropriately classified and reported.

20. Deposits and investments securities are properly classified in category of custodial credit risk.

21. We understand that you prepared the trial balance for use during the audit and that your preparation of the trial balance was limited to formatting the information in the Town of Ossipee's general ledger into a working trial balance. Also, as part of your audit, you prepared the draft financial statements and related notes from the trial balance. We have reviewed and approved those financial statements and related notes and believe they are adequately supported by the books and records of the government.

22. We understand that as part of your audit, you prepared the adjusting journal entries necessary to convert our cash basis records to the accrual basis of accounting and acknowledge that we have reviewed and approved those entries.

To the best of our knowledge and belief, no events, including instances of noncompliance, have occurred subsequent to the balance sheet date and through the date of this letter that would require adjustment to or disclosure in the aforementioned financial statements.

Plodzick & Sanderson
Professional Association
193 North Main Street
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF OSS�PEE

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year

January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004

Purpose of Appropriation	Appropriations Prior Year as Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditure Prior Year	Selectmen's Ensuing Recommended	Appropriations Fiscal Year Recommended	Budget Comm. Ensuing Recommended
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Executive	\$508,154.00	\$485,701.90	\$531,086.00		\$531,086.00
Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	9,145.00	9,476.92	9,111.00		9,111.00
Financial Administration	8,434.00	6,333.92	8,434.00		8,434.00
Legal Expenses	57,694.00	42,130.35	56,080.00		56,080.00
Planning & Zoning	80,756.00	79,124.13	93,230.00		93,230.00
General Government Buildings	126,338.00	114,419.01	140,622.00		140,622.00
Cemeteries	14,868.00	16,002.78	19,126.00		19,126.00
Insurance	92,020.00	92,097.37	101,996.00		101,996.00
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Police	499,755.00	493,156.94	544,357.00		544,357.00
Ambulance	98,500.00	97,249.96	180,000.00		180,000.00
Fire	24,400.00	22,113.95	19,800.00		19,800.00
Emergency Management	3,400.00	2,884.14	3,400.00		3,400.00
HIGHWAYS & STREETS					
Highways & Streets	770,050.00	713,992.67	786,348.00		786,348.00
Street Lighting	2,600.00	2,065.88	2,600.00		2,600.00
SANITATION					
Solid Waste Disposal	350,925.00	365,079.42	386,336.00		386,336.00
HEALTH AND WELFARE					
Pest Control	10,609.00	7,022.26	10,609.00		10,609.00
Health Agencies & Hospital & Other	72,519.00	72,519.00	62,743.00		58,818.00
Administration & Direct Assistance	25,000.00	22,530.55	25,000.00		25,000.00

CULTURE & RECREATION					
Parks & Recreation	122,598.00	117,767.06	136,214.00	136,214.00	
Library	128,808.00	128,808.00	163,441.00	163,441.00	
Patriotic Purposes	4,400.00	4,399.49	850.00	850.00	
CONSERVATION					
Administration & Purchase of Nat. Resources	1,769.00	1,775.64	1,877.00	1,877.00	
Other Conservation	3,000.00	57.08	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Economic Development	450.00	452.22	750.00	750.00	
DEBT SERVICE					
Principal - Long Term Bonds & Notes	178,699.00	178,697.00	93,571.00	93,571.00	
Interest - Long Term Bonds & Notes	22,639.00	22,674.80	14,329.00	14,329.00	
Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	10,000.00	1,458.19	10,000.00	10,000.00	
CAPITAL OUTLAY					
To Enterprise Fund - Sewer	128,238.00	118,012.70	171,541.00	171,541.00	
To Enterprise Fund - Water	182,061.00	191,483.27	150,459.00	150,459.00	
SUBTOTAL	\$3,537,829.00	\$3,409,486.60	\$3,724,910.00	\$3,720,985.00	

SOURCE OF REVENUE

Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			
Land Use Change Taxes	\$3,150.00	\$20,423.00	\$21,000.00
Timber Taxes	23,000.00	36,776.00	38,000.00
Int. & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	142,000.00	142,933.00	143,000.00
Excavation Tax (\$.02/cu. yd.)	20,000.00	13,380.00	15,000.00
LICENSES & PERMITS			
Business Licenses & Permits	30,000.00	13,078.00	15,000.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	625,000.00	666,605.00	670,000.00
Building Permits	9,000.00	5,525.00	6,000.00
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	13,000.00	40,090.00	40,000.00

SOURCE OF REVENUE

Source of Revenue	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
FROM STATE			
Shared Revenues	46,000.00	46,118.00	47,000.00
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	122,000.00	146,256.00	140,000.00
Highway Block Grant	131,000.00	140,813.00	151,000.00
Water Pollution Grant	12,654.00	12,654.00	12,654.00
State & Fed. Forest Land Reimbursement	2,300.00	1,655.00	2,000.00
Other (Including Railroad Tax)	825.00	544.00	600.00
From Other Governments		35,029.00	30,000.00
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income from Departments	130,000.00	200,779.00	200,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Sale of Municipal Property	80,000.00	34,229.00	25,000.00
Interest on Investments	4,000.00	7,418.00	7,000.00
Other	45,000.00	13,346.00	15,000.00
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			
From Enterprise Funds - Sewer (Offset)	77,614.00	77,614.00	171,541.00
From Enterprise Funds - Water (Offset)	131,437.00	131,437.00	150,459.00
From Capital Reserve Funds		64,786.00	60,000.00
From Trust & Agency Funds	8,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00
OTHER FINANCIAL RESOURCES (Proc. From Long Bonds & notes)			
Amts VOTED from F/B (Surplus)		124,714.00	
Fund Balance (Surplus) to reduce taxes		50,000.00	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS	\$1,655,980.00	\$2,028,202.00	\$1,963,254.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

Appropriations Recommended
Special Warrant Articles Recommended
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED
Less Estimated Revenues & Credits
ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED

Sciactmens Recommended	Budget Comm. Recommended
\$3,724,910.00	\$3,720,985.00
603,294.00	603,294.00
\$4,328,204.00	\$4,324,279.00
1,963,254.00	1,963,254.00
\$2,364,950.00	\$2,361,025.00

REVISED SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION, 2004

Value of Land Only	2004 Assessed Valuation	Ctr. Ossipee	West Ossipee	Ossipee Corner
Current Use (22,232.027 acres)	\$2,162,988	\$547,088	\$552,206	\$1,063,694
Residential (14,005.831 acres)	240,140,400	137,867,000	49,974,500	52,255,500
Commercial/Industrial (3,604.822 acres)	28,126,500	6,000,300	8,536,900	13,589,300
Total of Taxable Land (39,842.680 acres)	\$270,429,888	\$144,414,388	\$59,063,606	\$66,908,494
Exempt/Non-taxable (4,191.766)/(\$8,678,200)				
Value of Buildings Only				
Residential	186,173,900	76,829,700	53,496,500	55,831,100
Manufactured Housing (RSA 674:31)	12,681,000	4,527,300	4,436,700	3,699,300
Commercial/Industrial	43,990,100	12,745,900	11,144,200	20,100,000
Total of Taxable Buildings	\$242,845,000	\$94,102,900	\$69,077,400	\$79,630,400
Tax Exempt and Non-taxable (\$21,665,400)				
Public Utilities				
Public Service Co. of NH	2,348,200			
NH Elect. COOP Inc.	2,205,000			
Beech Mill River Hydro	10,000			
Indian Mound Water Co.	12,400			
Deer Cove Water Co., Inc.	4,800			
Total of Public Utilities	\$4,580,400	\$1,613,537	\$1,475,708	\$1,491,155
Valuation before Exemptions	\$517,855,288	\$240,130,825	\$129,616,714	\$148,030,049
Modified Assessed Valuations of all Properties	\$517,855,288	\$240,130,825	\$129,616,714	\$148,030,049
Blind Exemption (2 @ \$15,000)	30,000	15,000	0	15,000
Elderly Exemption (53)	2,980,200	1,209,000	490,500	1,280,700
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions	\$3,010,200	\$1,224,000	\$490,500	\$1,295,700
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed	\$514,845,088	\$238,906,825	\$129,126,214	\$146,734,349
Less Public Utilities	4,580,400			
Net Val. w/o Utilities on which Tax Rate for				
State Education is Computed	\$510,264,688			

TAX CREDITS

	<i>Limits</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Est. Tax</i>
Disabled Veterans	\$2000	15	\$30,000
Other War Service Credits	\$500	<u>258</u>	<u>128,000</u>
TOTAL NUMBER AND AMOUNT		273	\$158,000

ELDERLY EXEMPTION REPORT

First time filers GRANTED elderly exemption for current year:

<i>Age</i>	<i>Amount per Individual</i>
65-74 (2)	\$40,000
75-79 (1)	\$60,000
80+ (0)	\$80,000

Total individuals granted exemption:

<i>Age</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Max. Amount</i>	<i>Total</i>
65-74	17	\$40,000	\$637,100
75-79	15	\$60,000	837,200
80+	<u>21</u>	\$80,000	<u>\$1,505,900</u>
TOTAL	53		\$2,980,200

CURRENT USE REPORT

	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Assessed Valuation</i>
Farm Land	601.014	\$198,978
Forest Land	9,042.899	1,150,187
Forest Land (documented stewardship)	11,697.084	801,048
Unproductive Land	266.190	3,765
Wetland	624.840	9,010
Total	22,232.027	\$2,162,988
Receiving 20% Recreation Adjustment	3,106.990	
Removed from Current Use Current Year	14.77	
Total Number of Owners in Current Use	247	
Total Number of Parcels in Current Use	475	

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT, 2004

Debits

	Levy of 2004	Levy of 2003	Levy of 2002	Levy of 2001+
UNCOLLECTED TAXES				
BEGINNING OF YEAR				
Property Taxes		\$844,429.38		\$4,154.91
Land Use Change Taxes		10,580.00		
Timber Yield Taxes		420.02		
Excavation Taxes @ \$.02/yd		842.24		
Utility Charges		31,145.09		
TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR				
Property Taxes	\$8,319,562.89	2,183.00		
Land Use Change Taxes	20,423.00			
Timber Yield Taxes	36,776.41			
Excavation Taxes @ \$.02/yd	13,379.90			
Utility Charges	307,785.68	84.00		
OVERPAYMENTS				
Remaining from prior year	8,274.86			
New this fiscal year	24,718.83			
INTEREST - Late Tax	10,935.64	55,425.05		
TOTAL DEBITS	\$8,741,857.21	\$945,108.78		\$4,154.91

	Credits	
REMITTED TO TREASURER		
Property Taxes	\$7,430,848.48	
Land Use Change Taxes	7,552.16	\$544,656.45
Timber Yield Taxes	34,896.21	420.02
Interest and Penalties	10,935.64	55,425.05
Excavation Taxes @ \$.02/yd	13,362.00	842.24
Utility Charges	273,225.82	21,095.34
Conv. to Liens (Ptn. Only)		296,973.81
Prior Yr. Overpayments assigned	8,101.37	
ABATEMENTS MADE		
Property Taxes	11,531.59	15,031.87
Land Use Change Taxes		10,580.00
Excavation Taxes @ \$.02/yd	9.60	
Utility Charges	985.40	
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED	1,553.00	84.00
UNCOLLECTED TAXES		
END OF YEAR		
Property Taxes	875,629.82	
Land Use Change Taxes	12,870.84	
Timber Yield Taxes	1,880.20	
Excavation Taxes @ \$.02/yd	8.30	
Utility Charges	33,574.46	
Remaining Overpayments this yr.	8,169.91	
This yrs. Overpayments returned	16,548.92	
Prior yrs. Overpayments returned	173.49	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$8,741,857.21	\$945,108.78
		\$4,154.91

TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

DEBITS

	Levy of 2004	Levy of 2003	Levy of 2002	Levy of 2001 +
Unredeemed Liens				
Beginning of Fiscal Year				
Liens Executed During			\$242,200.73	\$125,188.09
Fiscal Year		\$326,110.21		
Interest & Costs Collected		6,920.45	27,407.32	47,002.17
TOTAL LIEN DEBITS		\$333,030.66	\$269,608.05	\$172,190.26

CREDITS

Redemptions		\$131,461.29	\$135,313.56	\$117,962.14
Interest & Costs Collected		6,920.45	27,407.32	47,002.17
Abatements		2,730.49	5,506.48	2,332.80
Liens Deeded to Municipality		3,483.59	4,268.78	2,178.62
Unredeemed Liens end of FY		188,429.84	97,111.91	2,714.53
TOTAL LIEN CREDITS		\$333,030.66	\$269,608.05	\$172,190.26

Notes from the Tax Office...

Tax Collections went fine this year thanks to a superior tax collection computer program. This program has been critiqued and fine-tuned making our jobs easier and more efficient.

The Selectmen did not hold an auction in 2004 but may have some parcels in the spring of 2005. Please watch for future newspaper notices.

A very quiet tax year, no law or procedural changes.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara R. Adams - Tax Collector

REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS

Voted by the Town of Ossipee - 2004

Purpose of Appropriations	Amount
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
Executive	\$543,154
Election, Reg., & Vital Statistics	9,145
Financial Administration	8,434
Legal Expense	57,694
Planning & Zoning	80,756
General Government Buildings	156,338
Cemeteries	14,868
Insurance	92,020
PUBLIC SAFETY	
Police	509,184
Ambulance	100,568
Fire	24,400
Emergency Management	3,400
HIGHWAYS & STREETS	
Highways & Streets	1,179,550
Street Lighting	2,600
Other	35,000
SANITATION	
Solid Waste Disposal	350,935
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT	
Administration	2,000
Water Services	63,270
Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other	20,000
HEALTH	
Pest Control	10,609
Health Agencies, Hosp., & Other	72,519
WELFARE	
Administration & Direct Assistance	25,000
CULTURE & RECREATION	
Parks & Recreation	142,598
Library	128,808
Patriotic Purposes	4,400

CONSERVATION	
Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources	1,769
Other Conservation	3,000
DEBT SERVICE	
Princ. - Long Term Bonds & Notes	178,699
Interest - Long Term Bonds & Notes	22,639
Interest on Tax Anticipation Note	10,000
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	
Enterprise Fund, Sewer	128,238
Enterprise Fund, Water	182,061
To Capital Reserve Fund	83,500
TOTAL VOTED APPROPRIATIONS	\$4,184,656

LINE UP

Corrected

TOWN CLERK'S 2004 ANNUAL REPORT

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>TRANSACTIONS</u>	<u>SUB TOTAL</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Automobile			
Decals	6,500	16,250.00	
Registrations	7,222	650,399.30	666,649.30
Titles	1,440	2,881.00	\$ 669,530.30
Boat Tax Receipts			27,183.24
Camp David			
Permits		600.00	
Usage		35,743.75	36,343.75
Checklists			47.50
Certified Vital Records			3,380.00
Dog License			
Late Fees		441.00	
Registrations	1,003	6,334.50	
Fines & Summons		550.00	7,325.50
Fees			
Pole, Filing, Election		44.00	
Interest			
Checking Account		65.76	
Returned Check Charges		341.00	
Supplies & Copies		230.96	
Postage		40.73	
UCC		2,560.00	
Wedding Applications		1,620.00	
Wetland Applications		60.00	4,962.45
Total Town Clerk Receipts for 2004.....			\$ 748,772.74
Notes from the Town Clerk's Office...			

Every four years we hold four elections and a Town Meeting. This was the year! Our office was busy working elections between our other duties. All went well with the procedures thanks to the faithful staff. On behalf of our town I wish to thank the following election workers: Karen Thurber, Yvonne McElwain, Natalie Hall, Linda White, Henry and Janet Dolan, Paula Jay, Linda Morgan, Lindalee Lambert, Susan Legendre, Sandra Martin, Brooke Rines, George Earnshaw, Trish Hodge, Selectman Peter Olkkola and our Moderator Donald Meader.

A vital records (NHVRIN) program has been provided by the State at no cost to Ossipee. This enables our office to produce certified copies of marriage, birth and

death records recorded within the last ten years in other New Hampshire towns. You will no longer need to go to the town of the event for copies.

Last January, Wayne and Darline Burke of Wolfeboro, spent several days microfilming our early marriage, birth and death records. The Burkes donated their time to the Utah Genealogical Society. In appreciation, they have provided us with a duplicate film. We will give a copy to the Library as they have the machine to view it. Mark Winkley, Dennis Hodge and Maxine and George Pierson are still working to perfect our existing records. We thank everyone for the many hours donated.

Our 2005 dog tags are available. Dogs over 4 months need to be registered by April 30th each year. We plan to have a rabies clinic in April thanks to Tracy, Trish, Ossipee Concerned Citizens and Kindness Animal Hospital volunteers.

It was a great honor to be nominated "Employee of the Year". Tracy and Trish are due the same honor as we work as a team. With Tracy Cragin and Trish Hodge by my side who could go wrong? We love our work and want to thank everyone who makes our jobs so enjoyable.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara R. Adams
Town Clerk



Wayne and Darline Burke of Wolfeboro with Representative from the Utah Genealogical Society filming Vital Records.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Reconciliation of Cash Books and Bank Balances

Year ending December 31, 2004

GENERAL CHECKING ACCOUNT

Balance on hand January 1, 2004	\$928,879.13
Receipts during year 2004	<u>12,378,149.94</u>
	\$13,307,029.07
Less disbursements 2004	<u>12,817,536.63</u>
Balance in account December 31, 2004	\$489,492.44

MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT

Balance in account December 31, 2004	<u>\$1,350,884.37</u>
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TOTAL OF CASH BALANCES	\$1,840,376.81
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PROOF OF BALANCES

BALANCES OF ACCOUNTS, BERLIN CITY BANK

Balance on hand, Gen. Checking Account	\$976,977.40
Add Deposits in Transit	<u>131,259.36</u>
	\$1,108,236.76
Less Outstanding Checks	<u>618,744.32</u>
Balance Checking Account Dec. 31, 2004	\$489,492.44
Balance Money Market Account	<u>1,350,884.37</u>

TOTAL OF RECONCILED BALANCES DEC. 31, 2004	\$1,840,376.81
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Respectfully submitted,
Kellie J. Skehan, Treasurer
Natalie V. Hall, Deputy Treasurer

TOWN OF OSS�PEE

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

2004 ANNUAL REPORT

2004 saw the continued rebound in the investment markets and the Trustees, June Loud, Nan Egan and Michelle Capone are pleased to see better returns on investments. These increases continue to aid the town and precincts in providing needed services and equipment for the taxpayers.

The Trustees will once again make available \$25,000.00 from the Lyford Merrow Scholarship Fund to the June 2005 graduates and alumni. 2004 saw an increased awareness of this benefit to Ossipee students and 23 young people were awarded scholarships toward their higher educational goals. One of the benefits allowed these students was the availability of scholarships for alumni. All scholarship information for college bound students is available in the Guidance Office at Kingswood High School and any Ossipee student, may inquire about them. Applications for the Lyford Merrow Scholarships are also available at the Town Hall. In 2004 a small pool of scholarship money was also awarded to three Ossipee students from the Lord/McIndoe fund. It is the hope that this fund will see enough growth in 2005 to allow scholarship awards in 2006.

The Capital Reserve Funds continued to grow, expenditures were made and departments and precincts are investing for future projects and equipment purchases. We, the Trustees, are happy to assist these members of the community.

The investment policies of the Trustees of Trust Funds meet the rigid requirements of the Charitable Trust Division of the Office of the New Hampshire Attorney General. As such we have investments in: CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT; MONEY MARKET ACCOUNTS; SAVINGS ACCOUNTS; CHECKING ACCOUNTS AND THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTMENT POOL. Locally we utilize Berlin City Bank, Citizen's Bank and Laconia Savings Bank in Ossipee.

On the following page you will see the audited breakdown of the basic accounts of the Ossipee Trust Funds. We list the basic categories and their principal and interest sums, indicating the beginning balance of the year, the income and expenditures and the ending balance as of the 31st of December, 2004. It is the Trustees goal to include all interest earned on each investment instrument through 12/31/04 to provide a true and accurate ending year balance.

Respectfully submitted,
June C. Loud, Chairman
Michelle J. Capone, Trustee
Nan Egan, Trustee

TOWN OF OSSIPPEE TRUST FUNDS - SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL AND INCOME for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2004

	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			Total Principal & Balance
	Beginning Balance	New Funds	Expended Funds	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Income	
NON-EXPENDABLE TRUSTS							
Cemeteries	\$89,399.37	\$3,675.00	\$0.00	\$93,074.37	\$17,538.57	\$1,061.48	\$109,888.52
Mable Drake Putnam Fund (>value)	0.00	314.21	0.00	314.21			
Library Funds	1,312.53	0.00	0.00	1,312.53	677.84	14.66	1,529.94
Meeting Houses	597.50	0.00	0.00	597.50	2,083.18	6.67	2,687.35
High School Funds	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	1,751.40	22.34	3,613.74
TOTAL COMMON FUNDS	93,309.40	3,989.21	0.00	97,298.61	22,050.99	1,105.16	117,719.56
TOTAL CAROL DUCHESNE SCHOLARSHIP FUND	26,360.00	191.00	0.00	26,551.00	5,105.36	300.42	31,191.78
Lyford Merrow "B"	562,530.23	0.00	0.00	562,530.23	125,761.71	8,240.23	673,545.17
Lyford Merrow "C"	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	273.00	22,977.00	3,550.00
TOTAL MERROW SCHOL.	562,530.23	0.00	0.00	562,530.23	126,034.71	31,217.23	677,095.17
TOTAL LYFORD MERROW HOSP.	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	5,017.68	108.86	15,124.54
TOTAL NON-EXPENDABLE FUNDS	\$692,199.63	\$4,180.21	\$0.00	\$696,379.84	\$158,208.74	\$32,731.67	\$841,131.05
EXPENDABLE FUNDS							
Benefit Pay (Cap Res)	\$11,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,000.00	\$96.40	\$66.47	\$11,162.87
Computer Equipment Exp. Trust	631.00	0.00	0.00	631.00	9.40	1.61	642.01
Ctr. Oss. Fire (Cap Res)	0.00	56,502.92	0.00	56,502.92	0.00	138.32	56,641.24
Forest Fire Prevention	14,000.00	3,500.00	0.00	17,500.00	558.09	150.05	18,208.14
Highway Dept. Bldg. (Cap Res)	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	1.39	170.80	10,172.19
Highway Dept. (Cap Res)	64,500.00	50,000.00	-64,500.00	50,000.00	286.52	151.80	50,152.32
Highway Dept. (Match)	13,961.64	0.00	0.00	13,961.64	12,232.70	201.93	26,396.27
Ossipee Cmr L&P (App Cap Res)	0.00	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	0.00	219.88	25,219.88
Ossipee Cmr L&P (Bldg Cap Res)	15,300.00	0.00	0.00	15,300.00	452.98	204.99	15,957.97
Ossipee Cmr L&P (Land Cap Res)	20,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	2,302.06	254.99	27,557.05
Ossipee Cmr L&P (Water Cap Res)	7,955.25	1,500.00	0.00	9,455.25	887.19	111.00	10,453.44

Ossipee Cmrr L&P (Maint Cap Res)	27,442.13	5,000.00	0.00	32,442.13	277.44	269.84	0.00	547.28	32,989.41
Ossipee Town Revaluation	24,135.50	0.00	(24,135.50)	0.00	7,980.55	115.93	0.00	8,096.48	8,096.48
Ossipee Town Sewer (Cap Res)	76,459.20	23,000.00	0.00	99,459.20	778.12	714.28	0.00	1,492.40	100,951.60
Ossipee Solid Waste (Cap Res)	30,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	45,000.00	285.94	153.23	(3.04)	436.13	45,436.13
Ossipee Solid Waste Impr (Cap R)	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00
Ossipee Town Water (Cap Res)	85,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	105,000.00	1,310.79	785.94	0.00	2,096.73	107,096.73
TOTAL EXPENDABLE FUNDS	\$400,384.72	\$214,502.92	(\$88,635.50)	\$526,252.14	\$27,459.57	\$3,711.06	(\$289.04)	\$30,881.59	\$557,133.73
TOTAL FUNDS	\$1,092,584.35	\$218,683.13	(\$88,635.50)	\$1,222,631.98	\$185,668.31	\$36,442.73	(\$46,478.24)	\$175,632.80	\$1,398,254.78

OSSIPEE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

2004 Annual Report

The Ossipee Economic Development Committee generally meets on the fourth Tuesday of every other month. Because of our busy schedules, sometimes we don't have a formal meeting, so we share information on the phone and with a newsletter. New members are always welcome. Our mission is to foster organized growth utilizing human resources in a responsible way. The OEDC seeks to educate and involve the community in its work.

The OEDC continues to be involved in projects in the Mount Washington Valley Economic Council. As a follow-up to the survey of Town Forests in Ossipee and nearby towns, an excellent workshop was conducted here in Ossipee last fall to help towns utilize and preserve their town forests. There has not been much progress in forming a forestry co-operative to increase returns to members, because we have not been able to get a grant to pay someone to manage the program.

Members of the Ossipee Economic Development Committee have attended programs presented by leading economists on the state of the NH Economy.

The OEDC decided to investigate joining the NH Main Street Program. We found that Center Ossipee Village, which used to be a vibrant community with a train station, a hotel, a drug store, a grocery store, a hardware store, and a movie theater, would benefit from this Revitalization Program. A number of the buildings are vacant or rundown and most of the remaining businesses are struggling. However, the Post Office, the Town Hall, a senior center, the elementary school, and the library are all located in this target area, which bring many people into town. We envision places for them to park, activities for them to pursue, places for them to shop, attractive places for them to live, a park, and eventually more sidewalks and street lighting. We realize that this will take a number of years. Meredith and Littleton are two good examples of how a community can be revitalized over a period of years.

The OEDC found that a large number of citizens in the town supported this concept of business revitalization with historic preservation while building a feeling of community. At this point a number of us formed the Ossipee Revitalization Group dedicated to attaining Main Street membership status as the program we felt suited our needs. We have a lot of support and enthusiasm from the community. Many citizens have made pledges. A number of companies have volunteered to donate services and materials. Now that we have been accepted, NH Main Street will help us establish our priorities, set up volunteer committees, establish a work plan, and hire a part-time director, but they do not give us any money. They will provide over \$60,000 worth of expertise to our community over the next three to five years. We have already developed our Vision Statement. We had good community attendance at a basic instruction workshop put on by the NH Main Street people and have scheduled others. The Ossipee Revitalization Group has formed a Board with Officers and a Steering Committee. We welcome interested people to come to a meeting to see how you would like to be involved.

OSSIPEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

2004 Annual report

Another year has brought growth and activity to the library:

- Circulation has increased 38%;
- With the addition of wireless internet access to eight of our computers, the internet access use has increased 300%. Internet access is now available via twelve computers available to our patrons;
- 265 library cards were issued in 2004, for a total of 3064 library cards; and
- Adult out-of-town patrons increased from 62 in 2003, to 203 in 2004.

The increase in out-of-town patrons is mostly due to our computer classes. To take a computer class, one must have a library card. We offer twelve computers with high-speed Internet access, eight of these by wireless connection. All of this high technology comes to you through grants from the Gates Foundation, the NH Charitable Foundation, free Internet access from Adelphia cable, and the people from Tech Link NH., a division of Americorps.

The Ossipee Public Library web site continues to attract World Wide Web surfers. The site has had 4,274 visits. The library's web site is <http://groups.msn.com/publiclibrarytownofossipeenhua>.

The summer reading program was well attended with over 100 young readers taking part. "Check out a Hero" was the summer's theme.

We had four nature passes to Squam Lake Natural Science Center, in Holderness, sponsored by White Mountain Survey Company. From June to October, patrons were able to use these passes for free admission to the Science Center.

We have four free passes to the Currier Museum in Manchester, sponsored by the Governor Wentworth Arts Council. These passes are available until October 2005.

We also have a free pass to the Christa McAuliffe Planetarium in Concord. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ossipee Public Library, this library pass can be applied for up to \$26.00 off the cost of regular planetarium show tickets. These passes are available until June 2005.

Our video collection has been dramatically increased, thanks to an anonymous friend and patron. The collection includes both VHS and DVD movies. The library collection is augmented by our memberships in the Bearcamp Valley Library Association and the Rochester Area Library Association.

The Friends of the Ossipee Public Library had several fundraisers throughout the year. They sold book bags and notebooks, in addition to holding a Feaster's Fantasy raffle in the summer. The Book Cellar is operated by the Friends every Saturday during the summer, and the first Saturday of the month during the rest of the year. The Friends enjoy decorating the library for holidays. They continue to fund most of our programs, including some of the prizes given to all participants in the summer reading programs. New shelves were made by one of our hard working volunteers, with materials paid for by the Friends. The Friends are always happy to welcome new members.

Patrons and visitors enjoyed the artwork on display in the meeting room. Pat Jones, Lucy Merrow, Linda Morgan, Natalie Peterson and Ann Ward generously shared their work.

The Meeting Room is often used to offer educational, historical, civil, scout and

cultural programs to the community. The Library also continues to sponsor a wide variety of programs:

- AARP volunteers provided tax assistance from February to June.
- Our book discussion group meets every second Monday evening of each month, at 7:00 pm.
- Quilters group meets on the second and forth Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm. The Quilters are in the process of making a quilt as a fundraiser for the library.
- Story-time for pre-school children continue to be held on Tuesday mornings at 10:30, and for school aged children on Tuesday afternoons at 3:30 pm.
- The library continues to be used for a variety of after-school enrichment programs.
- Book delivery and pick-up of books, video, audiotapes and other library materials are available for shut-ins. The library also stocks large-print books and Reader's Digest for visually impaired readers. The library received a magnifying reader in the memory of Gordon S. Kimball.
- The Ossipee Public Library continues to face steadily increasing demands for its services and to receive customer requests for increased hours. This spring we conducted a survey, which showed a need for the library to be open on Thursdays.

Once again, our appreciation and gratitude go to a large group of wonderful people who give of themselves, through their time and donations, to enrich the lives of others. They make your library what it is today.

The trustees and library staff wish to thank the citizens of Ossipee for their on-going support. We look forward to continuing to serve you.

INCOME/EXPENSE NON-LAPSING 2004
1/1/04 through 12/31/04 (Cash Basis)

INCOME

Grants	
General Book Purchase	500.09
Reading Programs	200.00
Wentworth Econ Dev	600.00
TOTAL Grants	<u>1,300.09</u>
Interest Inc	185.11
Patron	
Calendars	10.00
Computer Lab Fees	410.00
Copies	674.50
Disk Sales	13.00
Donations	732.82
Dana G. Witherell	<u>200.00</u>
TOTAL Donations	932.82
Fax	34.00
Fines	2,358.05
Library Pictures	79.95
Ossipee History Book	274.45
Out-of-Town Patrons	880.00
Picture Raffle	74.03
Plant Sale	613.25

T-Shirt	74.50
TOTAL Patron	<u>6,428.55</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u>7,913.75</u>

EXPENSES

Automation	
WEDC - Techlink NH	384.98
TOTAL Automation	<u>384.98</u>
Building & Grounds	
Donations	1,095.00
TOTAL Building & Grounds	<u>1,095.00</u>
Videos & Non-Book Audios	
Girourd Video Grant	834.06
TOTAL Videos & Non-Book Audios	<u>834.06</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>2,314.04</u>
OVERALL TOTAL	<u>5,599.71</u>

INCOME/EXPENSE LAPSING 2004 1/1/04 through 12/31/04 (Cash Basis)

INCOME

Town Appropriation	128,808.00
TOTAL INCOME	<u>128,808.00</u>

EXPENSES

Automation	1,275.50
Bank Charge	12.00
Books & Audio Books	9,899.11
Buildings & Grounds	6,893.89
Dues	390.00
Education	248.00
Electricity	2,466.69
Fuel	3,191.59
Furniture & Equipment	2,793.80
Mileage	374.68
Payroll	96,266.62
Periodicals	317.67
Petty Cash	200.00
Postage	125.54
Programs	288.10
Supplies	1,743.32
Telephone	1,367.35
Videos & Non-Book Audios	363.74
Water & Sewer	590.40
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>128,808.00</u>

ACCOUNT BALANCES-2004
As of 12/31/04

ACCOUNT	12/31/03 Balance	12/31/04 Balance
Bank Accounts		
Citizen's Account	16,739.96	19,856.60
Laconia Savings Bank	3,071.36	5,168.04
NH Investment (MBIA)	27,853.93	13,039.04
The Berlin City Bank	133.40	334.68
Town of Ossipee	0.00	0.00
TOTAL Bank Accounts	47,798.65	38,398.36
Investment Accounts		
Washington Mutual Investors Fund	0.00	15,273.50
TOTAL Investment Accounts	0.00	15,273.50
OVERALL TOTAL	47,798.65	53,671.86

Respectfully submitted,
Yvonne Fisher, Library Director
Elizabeth S. Rouner, Chairman, Board of Trustees
Susan Day, Secretary, Board of Trustees
Eileen Leavitt, Treasurer, Board of Trustees
Elizabeth H. Sanders, Board of Trustees
Natalie J. Peterson, Board of Trustees
Brooke Rines, Alternate



Trustee and Treasurer, Eileen Leavitt retires at the end of 2004. Mrs Leavitt served as a Trustee since 1982. Pictured with Mrs. Leavitt is her husband Ken, a valuable library volunteer. The afghan was presented to her in appreciation at her retirement party.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT 2004

January-February-March

Mark Wright met with the Board of Selectmen and agreed to assist with the Mill Pond Dam Repairs. Thank You, Mark. A lease was signed with the Fish Hatchery. The plans for the Rte. 25 West bridge were reviewed and the project is proceeding well. The Town's auditing firm performed the audit of the Town's records and a clean bill of health was issued. Thank you to all the staff involved in the bookkeeping for the Town. Bruce Williams, Highway Foreman celebrated his thirtieth year with the Town.

April-May-June

The "Anything That Rips" and metal recycling programs started and have proved to be very successful thanks to the acceptance by the citizens. The Wentworth House (Neuro-Rehab. Center) located on Moultonville Rd. was opened. A firm by the name of Helical Drilling was hired to repair the Mill Pond Dam. The project was completed. Mellisa Ferland was hired as the Assessing Supervisor and started her duties in May. The Town started receiving correspondence regarding the proposed Tamworth Racetrack.

July-August-September

The paving of the parking lots at the Town Hall was completed. The repair work for the kitchen and upstairs storage was done. The Selectmen awarded the hauling and dumping contract for the Incinerator to North Conway Incinerator Services. The Town received a \$5,000.00 grant from New Hampshire the Beautiful towards the purchase of a new baler. The Ossipee Revitalization Group was very active pursuing the acceptance to the Main Street Program.

October-November-December

The Board successfully negotiated a new Union Contract. The Ames Department Store was auctioned off and Ocean State Job Lots, a retail chain of stores from Rhode Island, purchased the building and plan to open in March or early April of 2005. The 2004 tax rate was set. The annual budget process started. The Town started to actively negotiate with the State to help establish a Town Beach. The Town has been busy with the Ossipee Lake Alliance with plans to treat milfoil. A contract for the purchase of a baler was awarded to Maguire Equipment. Bonnie Ames was hired to work at the Incinerator facility.

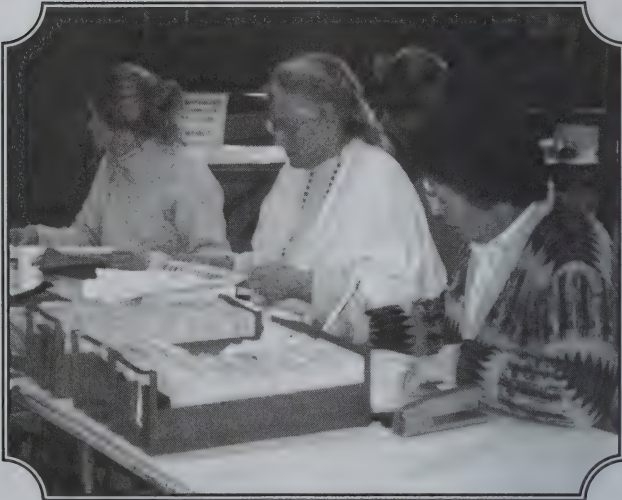
Respectfully submitted,
Joseph G. Chromy, Chairman
Peter A. Olkkola
Harry C. Mellow
Board of Selectmen

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST REPORT

Working on the computer on the checklist this past year has been a learning experience. 2004 was a busy year with the Primary, General and Presidential elections.

It has been a privilege to serve the community in this capacity.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen C. Parsons, Chair
Jean Marie Simpson
Janice L. Tully
Supervisors of the Checklist



From left: Jean Marie Simpson, Janice L. Tully,
Kathleen C. Parsons.

OSSIPEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Annual Report 2004

2004 was an extraordinarily busy year for the Ossipee Police Department. The department roster remained stable, and as of this writing, James Mullen was promoted to the rank of corporal.

In last year's report, I noted the staggering amount of activity for a Town this size, and informed you of our areas of most concern which were crimes against Children, Domestic Violence, and the increase of drugs in our area. I told you that we were committed to stemming the tide of the drugs in our Town. While it would be foolhardy to believe that we can ever stop drugs, I do report to you that this department has taken tremendous steps in interrupting the availability of drugs in our Town. We have sustained continuous drug raids and investigations that led to 14 indictments for sale of controlled or narcotic drugs, 3 for possession with intent to distribute and 10 for felony possession of drugs. There is no other agency twice our size doing this volume of drug cases. We are especially appreciative of the help afforded to us by Sheriff Scott Carr and the members of the Carroll County Sheriff's Department. We are committed to continue to go after any individual who deals drugs in this Town. So long as there is a demand, someone will step in to fill the supply, but we want those people to understand that if you do it in Ossipee there will be harsh consequences. With the assistance of The United States Attorney in Concord, we have received nearly \$8,000.00 in forfeited assets. We have paid for and are in the process of receiving a narcotic detection K-9 at no expense to the Taxpayer.

There are only seven full time officers on this department, and the amount of dedication and sheer volume of work that these officers do is amazing. As noted in the following breakdown of activity this last year, the adult arrests totaled 469, a 42% increase over the 331 made in 2003. Of the 469 arrests, 64 were for felony level offenses. The number of officers has not been increased in several years, and yet the activity continues to grow. In this year's budget is a request to add 1 additional officer. I sincerely recommend to you that this is absolutely necessary to continue to provide the level of service, and to continue to expand our hours of coverage. There will also be a warrant article seeking to approve an addition to the Police Station. The request is for \$55,000 to add a three bay garage and storage room on the back of the current station. When Towns around us are spending hundreds of thousands and in some cases millions of dollars, I believe that this conservative proposal will meet the needs of the station for the next 10 to 15 years.

We continue to participate in the After School Program at Ossipee Central School. We further continue to apply for and receive grant funding for enhanced Drunken Driver Patrols and speed enforcement. We continue to have an excellent relationship with the agencies around us. Through these relationships we have been very successful in breaking cases such as the burglary ring this fall which was responsible for many burglaries throughout the area including several businesses in Ossipee.

We have been very fortunate to have some excellent officers work here, but this current department roster is the very best team of officers we have had in the 19 years I have been with this agency. I can't begin to tell you how proud I am of the dedicated performance of the members of this department. They continue to give well above and beyond.

Voters in town will again be asked if they want to establish a police commission. My position has not changed since the last time it was defeated. I believe that it is an unnecessary additional level of government that does nothing to improve Police Services. You need only look to all the political shenanigans that have been going on with the Wolfeboro Police Commission and their Board of Selectmen. I hope that you will agree that the last thing we need is more politics in policing decisions.

I sincerely thank the departments around us, the fire departments and Med Star Ambulance for all their help at the many scenes, the staff at Town Hall and the Citizens of Ossipee who continue to support us.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard H. Morgan
Chief of Police



Bike Safety with Lt. Donald Grow

OSSIPEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

01-01-04 to 12-31-04

Accidents	156
MV Warnings	693
MV Summons	109

NON-CRIME

Dispute	9
Property Damage	3
Susp. Activity	18
Security Checks	1,287
Noise Complaint	31
Assist	68
Unlock	62
Alarm	129
K-9 Complaint	10
OHRV Complaint	2
Harassment	2
911 Hang Up	68
Medical Aid	80
Welfare Check	32
Parer Service	62
Other	16

TOTAL	1,879
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Total collected on	
Bad Check Cases	\$10,024.13

CRIMES REPORTED

Sexual Assault	11
Aggravated Simple Assault	10
Simple Assault	51
Robbery	1
Criminal Threatening	50
Arson	4
Burglary	58
Shoplifting	1
Theft	48
All Other Larceny	41
Counterfeiting/Forgery	10
False Pretenses Swindle	30
Criminal Mischief	81
Drug/Narcotic Violations	51
Bad Checks	124
Disorderly Conduct	2
DWI	34
PC	96
Domestic Dispute	19
Liquor Law Violations	41
Juvenile Runaway	21
Trespassing	17
All Other Offenses	71
Traffic Law Offenses	162
TOTAL	1,034

2004 ARRESTS

Resisting Arrest	7	Simple Assault	34
Unlawful/Unsafe Backing	1	2nd Degree Assault	3
Protective Custody	97	Criminal Mischief	11
Rec. Stolen Prop.	2	Theft of Service	2
Muffler-Noise Prevention	1	Burglary	16
Bench Warrent	14	Theft	1
OAS	28	Theft by Unauth. Taking	3
Warrant Arrest	9	Taking w/o Owners Consent	1
Crim. Threatening	8	Yellow Line Violation	1
Crim. Trespassing	10	Forgery	1
DWI	25	Trans. Alcohol by Minor	8
Agg. DWI	2	Felon in Poss.	1
DWI 2nd	2	Open Container	10
Harassment	1	Littering	2
Conduct after Acc.	6	Speed	6
Poss. Controlled Substance	25	Disobeying on Officer	6
Poss. Drugs in MV	3	Reckless Operation	5
Stalking	1	Shoplifting	1
Sale of Cont/Nar. Drug	10	Poss. Tobacco by Minor	1
Bad Checks	39	Unlawful Poss. Alcohol	17

2004 ARRESTS CON'T

Prohibited Sales	1	Passing School Bus	1
Violation TRO	4	Abandoned Vehicle	3
Reckless Conduct	1	Detention of Person Arrested	2
Oper. w/o Valid License	13	Poss. of Narcotic Drug w/intent	
Failure to use Turn Signal	1	to sell	3
Obstructing Report of Crime	3	Robbery	1
Disorderly Conduct	1	Criminal Liability for conduct	
Acts. Prohibited	1	of another	1
Failure to turn on lights	1	Unauthorized use of Propelled	
Oper w/o Reg. Decals in place	1	Vehicle/Rental Property	1
No helmet or eye Prot. Under 18	1	Operation of OHRV's	2
Habitual Offender	1	IEA	1
Obstructing Gov. Property	1		
Racing on Highways	1	TOTAL	469

MEDSTAR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC.

Activities Report, 2004

Though it doesn't seem possible, another year has passed. 2004 proved to be another busy year for our EMT's. In Ossipee we responded to 780 calls for service. Throughout our coverage area, we responded to over 1700 emergency calls. These calls ranged from simple standbys to critical multi system trauma, to an eight hour stand-off with shots fired and personal injury. Recently, in a five day period, four of our patients were so critically injured they required med flights to major trauma centers. As each year passes we see an increase in our call volume and a greater demand for more advanced services. As a result we continue to upgrade the qualifications of our staff, and maintain six of them on duty 24 hours a day 7 days a week. I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the Board of Selectmen and the Taxpayers of Ossipee for their continued support. A very special THANK YOU goes to the members of Ossipee's Fire and Rescue Departments, its Police Department, and the Highway Department for their tremendous assistance throughout the year. Their efforts far to often go unnoticed.

TYPE OF CALL;

Medical Aids:	414
Trauma:	64
Motor Vehicle Accidents:	126
Assist Fire Department:	165
Assist Police Department:	11
Total Responses:	780

PATIENTS ASSISTED;

Transported at the ALS level:	285
Transported at the BLS level:	172
Assisted without transport:	250
Patients Transported:	457

Respectfully submitted,
Randy Hayford

REPORT OF THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCILOR

It is an honor to be starting my 27th and 28th year as one of your public servants here in District One.

The Executive Council is your effective point of contact at the top of your Executive Branch of state government. The Council acts much like a board of directors for the administration of public law and public budget as passed by the NH House and Senate. The Council also accepts grant money from federal programs for administration to community-based organizations.

As we look into the next two years, I urge citizens to become involved through their regional planning commissions in bringing forth concerns and ideas for transportation projects. It is my opinion that not many new projects will be done, due to lack of sufficient funds. We will be lucky to maintain what we have and build what is in the current ten-year transportation plan.

District Health Councils are in full gear whereby local health concerns can be articulated directly to the Commissioner of Health and Human Services. This is the largest agency in our state government.

With a new administration headed by Governor John Lynch there will be many board and commissions looking for volunteers. If you are interested in finding out what is available please visit the Secretary of State's website at www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index or call my office.

My office is always available to assist in questions for relief, assistance and information. Also available and free is the NH Constitution, state map and brochure on the Executive Council. Please contact me anytime. It is a pleasure to serve you and your region.

Sincerely Yours,
Raymond S. Burton
Executive Councilor



To the SELECTMEN and RESIDENTS of the TOWN of OSSIPEE

The Tri-County Community Action/Carroll County is a private, non-profit agency that was established in 1965. The Carroll County Resource Center is located at 448 White Mountain Highway, Tamworth, NH.

We have had contact with 3,121 of Ossipee's citizens, processed 294 Fuel Applications, 88 elderly, 83 disabled and linked 2,827 with other programs.

**TRI-COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION HAS SPENT \$637,788.00 ON OSSIPEE'S
CITIZENS BETWEEN JULY 1, 2003 AND JUNE 30, 2004.**

Tri-County Community Action is dependent upon funding from your town and neighboring communities countywide to provide necessary services for the less fortunate citizens in our communities. The local funds are combined with Community Services Block Grant, Fuel Assistance, New Hampshire Emergency Shelter Grant, Homeless Programs, EFSP, McKinney and private and corporate benefactors. We are the conduit through which USDA Surplus Food is distributed to the 14 Food Pantries and 3 dinner bells, a group home and a nursing home throughout Carroll County in order to serve our residents.

Carroll County Community Contact has successfully partnered with individuals and families to assist them to identify barriers blocking the way to self-sufficiency. We have provided information, referrals and assisted with advocacy for more than **19,064 contacts** in Carroll County last year.

We greatly appreciate the support, cooperation and partnership with your elected officials, staff and residents.

Sincerely,
Marge M. Webster
Director of Development

OSSIPEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

This was an exciting year for the Ossipee Historical Society in which our efforts to acquire the 1916 Carroll County Courthouse became a reality. Although, at this writing, we have not yet passed papers, after three years of meetings and work, it is all but a certainty. We plan to occupy this building as a headquarters and museum for the society, although we will continue to store and show artifacts in our original museum in the Grant building on Route 16B. In addition, we will be having our meetings at the courthouse and plan to expand our research and genealogy exhibits. We hope to make the courthouse available to appropriate community organizations that will use the building for meetings.

In addition to the use of the courthouse by Ossipee residents, we are not forgetting that this is a county building. We plan to allow other historical societies to meet at the building, show their artifacts and sell books and memorabilia connected with their towns. Our intention also, is to make the building a center for the study of Carroll County history, which has been sadly lacking in past years.

We recognize these are ambitious plans and they will require a sacrifice in time and money by members of the society. We encourage, at all times, participation by Ossipee residents, whether or not they are members, and hope that they will participate in our countywide capital fund-raising drive in the spring.

Meanwhile, we wish to thank the Carroll County Board of Commissioners and those members of the county delegation who have been steadfast in their support for us. The Ossipee representatives: Harry Merrow, David Babson and Mark McConkey, particularly, have stepped up to help us when it was necessary. The Presidents of the Carroll County historical societies have also indicated their support for us, as well as the Pequawket Historical League.

We have continued to maintain and preserve the Grant Building and the Early Settlers Meeting House in Granite, where we hold a service each summer. We also answer genealogy and research questions about Ossipee from far and near on a regular basis. We participate, as always in Old Home Week. Our monthly regular meetings, open to all, held from April to October, have presented a great range of wonderful speakers. One of our best-received programs was "Growing Up in Ossipee", which features a panel of people who had grown up and gone to school in Ossipee many years ago. Our annual yard sale was also quite successful. Our membership grew this year by thirty-three new members.

Finally, I want to mention a program we started this year that has been very successful. It is part of the "School's Out" program in Ossipee. Arletta Paul and Ann Pilkovsky have presented to the children, interactive programs on Lovewell's Fort,

Native American pottery, grave rubbings and a trip to the Museum of Ossipee History in the Grant Building. Fenton Hodge recently spoke to the group about growing up in Ossipee in the 1930's and 40's.

So we look forward to this year with great anticipation. In a time when there is a growing disconnect between people and their roots, the society intends to bridge that gap for adults as well as children, to help them understand how the town they live in developed historically. We hope the people of the town of Ossipee will continue to help and support us and thank them for their past support.

Respectfully submitted,
Barry Hill, President
Ossipee Historical Society

OSSIPEE PLANNING BOARD

2004 Annual Report

The Planning Board met regularly on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 7 PM at the Ossipee Town Hall. Additional work sessions were held on the fourth Tuesday of the month as needed to work on changes to the Ossipee Zoning Ordinance.

The Planning Board approved 4 Subdivisions, 10 Site Plan Reviews, 11 Mergers of Lots, and 4 Boundary Line Adjustments.

Three Excavation Permits were renewed. A lot of time was devoted to increasing gravel pit compliance with the Ossipee Earth Excavation Regulations and RSA 155E. Site visits were made to a number of pits. H.E. Bergeron, an engineering firm, was used to determine restoration needed and evaluate restoration plans. In several cases legal actions were necessary; some are on-going.

The Ossipee Planning Board recommends that applicants meet with Dave Senecal, our Zoning Enforcement Officer, before applying to the Planning Board to help ensure compliance with all zoning issues. The applicant receives a checklist in the application packet to prepare for the hearing. The Planning Board encourages a pre-application discussion with the board that can be scheduled for any Planning Board meeting following the noticed hearings.

Patricia Jones, our secretary, continues to pull together the town Master Plan Revision, which she brings to the Planning Board for input. The chapter on Community Facilities is nearing completion.

We welcome and encourage any interested people to attend our meetings, as input from the townspeople helps determine the direction of the Planning Board. The Board has dealt with many difficult issues this year. We are looking for additional people to serve as alternates.

Ralph Buchanan, Chairman
Thomas Dodge, Vice Chairman
Bridget Perry
Bruce Parsons
Bruce Boutin
Joseph Chromy, Selectmen's Representative
Michelle Magee, Alternate

Respectfully submitted,
Ralph Buchanan, Chairman

REPORT OF THE ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

The Town of Ossipee is again very busy with construction. There has been new housing and a lot of remodeling.

We are now enforcing plumbing, electrical, energy and building codes. The permits for these can be picked up at the Town Hall.

Denial of permits has also been busy. Permit denials are sent to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for action.

I am available Monday thru Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Town Hall.

If anyone has any questions about Zoning or Building Codes, contact me at the Town Hall.

This year Permits were:

Building/Zoning	221
Sign Permits	8
Plumbing	13
Electric	20
Occupancy	34
New Homes	83
Permit Fees	\$5,525
Correspondence (Letters sent out)	246

Respectfully submitted,
David A. Senecal
Zoning Enforcement Officer

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Annual Report 2004

Mark McConkey continued to serve as Chairman and David Babson served as Vice Chairman. Other members of the board are Joe Deighan, Jean Simpson, and Lisa Hinckley. Bruce Boutin is the alternate. The Zoning Board is looking for interested people who would like to serve as additional alternates.

Public hearings were held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM. At the meetings, fourteen Variances were granted and two were denied. One applicant applied for a rehearing which resulted in the granting of the Variance. Eight Special Exceptions were granted. Many of these were applications to make changes in homes that do not conform to the present Zoning Ordinance. One Appeal of an Administrative Decision was granted.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment has worked closely with the Zoning Enforcement Officer to ensure that possible violations of the conditions of a decision are looked into. Dave Senecal makes sure that all the conditions placed on a decision are satisfied before he grants a permit. Several cases were referred to the ZEO for his inspection and follow-up.

As the Zoning Board of Adjustment has dealt with several controversial issues recently and complicated applications, a number of cases were recessed for one month or more to obtain additional information. Applicants would hasten the process by being sure they have included all the information requested in the application packet.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark McConkey

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

The Lakes Region Planning Commission is the area organization established to address the effects of growth at both the local and the regional level. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles and three counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. These direct and support services range from technical assistance, geographic information services, transportation planning, land use and environmental planning, and economic development. Our goal remains to provide support and leadership to the governments, businesses and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Here are some of our services performed on behalf of Ossipee and the region in the past fiscal year:

- Provided information to local officials about the NH Heritage Trail.
- Responded to a request from an LRPC commissioner for Census 2000 information on the town and Carroll County. Provided additional information on housing and income from the US Housing and Urban Development agency.
- Researched background environmental information about the town dump, in response to a request for technical assistance.
- Met with Board of Selectmen and Planning Board to review a proposed scope of work for a feasibility study of a transit-orientated transportation center in Ossipee.
- In co-ordination with NH Department of Transportation, established a committee to review proposals from consultants interested in performing a feasibility study, ensuring that a town representative was on the committee.
- With Federal funding provided by NHDOT, LRPC entered into a \$150,000 agreement with VHB Associates, a consulting firm with a NH Practice to undertake a six-month feasibility study to site a transit center in the town. As part of the process, a public advisory committee, consisting of several local representatives, was created to encourage a close working relationship between the consultants and the community.
- Continue to assist NHDOT with ongoing meetings of the Route 16 Corridor committee, many of which are held in Ossipee.
- Co-hosted and organized three public Municipal Law Lectures, where practicing attorneys provide a legal perspective on local planning, and zoning issues.
- Completed the Lakes Region Housing Needs Assessment, an assessment of the regional need for housing for all levels of income and made a presentation in the Ossipee Library.
- Convened meetings of the LRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee to enhance local involvement in transportation planning and project development.
- Continued work on the Lakes Region Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan.
- Reviewed project proposals through the NH Intergovernmental Review Agreement. That provides an opportunity to respond to applications seeking state and federal aid.

- Conducted over 160 traffic counts and several road inventories with NHDOT.
- Convened four area Commission meetings. One was held in the Ossipee Library with considerable focus on local and regional septage management issues.
- Ordered NH Planning and Land Use books for Ossipee boards.
- Recommended the mix of residential and commercial use in the Commercial Node Zones.
- Provided sections of Master Plans from near-by towns.
- Initiated regional efforts for groundwater protection and watershed planning.
- Facilitated the West Ossipee 2020 meetings.
- Prepared a Wetlands map of Ossipee for the town.
- Supported Ossipee by attending Main Street programs in Ossipee.
- Spoke at a greater Ossipee Area Chamber of Commerce meeting.
- Completed the Lakes Region Tourism Profile.

MT. WASHINGTON VALLEY ECONOMIC COUNCIL

Annual Report for 2004

It is a privilege and pleasure to report on the progress of the MWVEC as your representatives from Ossipee. The Council is dedicated to fostering economic diversity in the Valley of which Ossipee is at the Southern gateway.

The Technology Village located just north of the Saco River in Conway is heading down the final stretch of funding in order to break ground in the spring of 2005. The sum of \$3.8 million has been raised so far, \$500,000 of which has come from the support of local businesses. Various sources are being pursued for the remaining \$0.6 million as the project moves ever closer to becoming a reality. Several agreements have been reached with future inhabitants of the Tech Village, including individual businesses, the College of Life Long Learning, and the NH Community Technical College. This huge undertaking will provide much needed high tech career opportunities for the youth of the Valley.

The Business Resource Center in Center Conway is already proving that high tech business start-ups can prosper and flourish in the area. Presently, the business incubator houses six technology businesses that are growing and expanding. They are supported in that building with offices for SCORE, Rural Development, the School to Career Program, and the Economic Council.

The Revolving Loan Fund is a resource that offers financial assistance to the region. Just under \$1,000,000 is on loan from the Council to local businesses. The Economic Council has applied for a grant which would boost re-lending funds by another \$500,000.

The First Run Angel Investment Group was organized by the Council to provide a source of financial investment for businesses interested in expanding or moving to the area. Interested investors have completed numerous financial reviews of potential candidates and a partnership with a new business in the state has occurred.

The Eggs and Issues Forum continues to bring state-wide experts to the Valley on subjects that are important to area businesses.

Standing Committees such as Forestry provide a wealth of information and expertise to local businesses.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Jones and Donna Sargent

OSSIPEE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Annual Report for 2004

The Conservation Commission meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Ossipee Town Hall. The public is always encouraged and welcomed to attend.

At our winter education program for the public, Tom Howe from The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests spoke about ways people could conserve their land and the financial benefits. The Ossipee Conservation Commission sponsors an educational speaker series annually based on a natural resource topic. Ossipee hosted a presentation for area Conservation Commissions, at which Linda Magoon from NHDES explained the role of local commissions in reporting and enforcing violations of environmental regulations.

The Commission continued to co-partner with the Green Mountain Conservation Group to engage in an Ossipee Lake milfoil monitoring program, called the Lake Host Program. They continue to express their concern over the current milfoil problem in Ossipee Lake and volunteered to help the Ossipee Lake Alliance with their prevention program. They spoke against using herbicides, which, when applied, were unsuccessful. They also participated in the Water Sampling program at Frenchman's Brook and the Beech River, spending \$1,000 of Conservation funds to help defray the cost of the water testing.

Much time was spent ironing out an agreement among the commission members and with the tenant at the Fish Hatchery for a multi-year lease. The lease was signed in June 2004. A plaque was placed at the Fish Hatchery in honor of Randy Lyman who was instrumental in obtaining the property for the town of Ossipee.

The Ossipee Conservation Commission continues to uphold its mission by providing an initiative to protect, preserve and manage the magnificent natural resource base of Ossipee. In August they contributed \$5,000 toward the purchase of the Thurley Mountain tract. They continue to explore tracts of property that should be purchased for conservation purposes.

The Conservation Commission has hired B.H. Keith Assoc. to develop a Forest Management Plan for the Ossipee conservation properties.

Longtime past members Peter Olkkola and Randy Lyman were presented with granite representations of the state in honor of their service on the Conservation Commission. Current members are Chairman Tim Nolin, Vice Chairman Ralph Buchanan, John Smith, Andy Northrop, Sandy McGlinchey, Warren Walker, and forestry subcommittee member Thomas Dodge.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Nolin, Chairman

OSSIPEE OLD HOME WEEK COMMITTEE

Annual Report 2004

The Ossipee Old Home Week Committee continues to show how much positive impact can be accomplished when just a dozen people commit to doing something good.

Old Home Week 2004 was a great success, again hosting events over a nine day period which were enjoyed by many. With the 4th of July falling on a Sunday, there were several hurdles to overcome. The Committee thanks both the VFW and Ossipee Concerned Citizens for their help and support. The Parade was excellent and once again the fireworks and program at Constitution Park was spectacular.

At Constitution Park, the Committee, with the help of funding from the Ossipee Voters and Taxpayers Association, built a permanent lean-to with a metal roof adjacent to the ball field. This will not only be used by us, but throughout the year by all those using the park. A special thanks to the members of the Ossipee Highway Department for their help in construction.

The Committee continues to sponsor the Easter Egg Hunt and to distribute flowers on Mother's Day to those at the Nursing Home and Elderly Housing. We also continue to decorate Town Hall for Christmas.

Old Home Week activities cost over \$15,000.00, all of which is raised through donations and the hard work of committee members. We continue to meet our goals and stand by the pledge that we made to not seek or accept tax money.

There is continued need for new members. Please attend a meeting or see any member if you are able to help.



The Dixie Land Strollers

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Morgan
Marge Vacca
Co-Chairs

RECREATION DIRECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT 2004

To the Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Ossipee:

It has been another busy year for the Ossipee Recreation Department! Here is a list of the opportunities that were available to you in 2004:

CHILDREN & YOUTH: Squeaky Sneakers (ages 18m-3yrs.), Short Sports (ages 4-5), Instructional Basketball (Gr. 1-6), Travel Basketball (boys & girls Gr. 5-6), L'il Pros (sports for ages 4-7), Tumblebugs Play Group (up to age 3), Gr. 1-3 Ski & Snowboard Program, Lacrosse, Field Hockey Clinics, Super Sluggers (softball for girls in Gr. 1-4), Travel Softball (for girls in Gr. 5-6), "AeroNuts" Model Aviation Program (ages 8-12), Floor Hockey (Gr. 1-6), Karate, Spring Soccer (Gr. 1-6), Summer Day Camp (ages 6-12), Swimming Lessons, Tennis Lessons, Fall Soccer (Gr. 1-4), Travel Team Soccer (Gr. 5-6), Travel Field Hockey (Gr. 4-6), Cheerleading (Winter for Gr. 5-6), Basic and Advanced Photography Classes, Skating Lessons (K - age 12), "Skituations" Puppetry Class, Gymnastics, Veggie Volunteer Program, and Archery Camp.

TEEN & YOUTH: Open Gym, Tai Chi, Aerobic Kick Boxing, VolunTeen Program, Tennis Lessons, Red Cross Babysitter Certification Course, Red Cross CPR & First Aid Certification Courses, Gymnastics, Golf Lessons, Basic and Advanced Photography Classes, Karate, 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament, "Skill Builders" Intramural Basketball Program, and Archery Camp.

ADULT & SENIORS: Oil Painting Classes, Tai Chi, Aerobic Kick Boxing, "Senior" Prom, Open Gym, Day Trips, Fleet Feet Walking Program, Yoga, Ceramics, "55 Alive" Safe Driving Class, Basic & Advanced Photography Classes, Golf Lessons & Leagues, Red Cross First Aid and CPR Certification Classes, Photo Album Workshops, and Archery Camp.

SPECIAL EVENTS: (Many of these events are for all ages, a few are age specific). Community Toy & Gift Drive, Make-A-Wreath Class, Community Holiday Celebration with Horse Drawn Hayrides - Caroling and a Pot-Luck Dinner, Snowmobile Safety Certification Course, OHRV Safety Certification Course, "Gym Flyers" Indoor Model Aviation Program, NH Boater Basics Certification Courses, Breakfast With Santa, Portland Pirates Hockey Game, Portland Sea Dogs Baseball Game, Ossipee Lake "Ice Out" Contest, Pet Obedience Training, Pepsi Major League Diamond Skills Baseball Competition, Gary the Silent Clown, "Lord of the Keys" Family & Teen Treasure Hunts, National Trails Day Events, Nature Programs with Tin Mountain Conservation Center, Adopt-A-Highway Clean-up Days, with UNH Cooperative Extension: Vegetable & Flower Garden Workshop, Fruit Tree Care Workshop, Blueberry Bush Care Workshop, Goat Management Workshop, Poultry Workshop, Escorted Group Tours, Bike Inspection & Bike Giveaway, The Re-Cycle Project, Touch-A-Truck, Art Show, Family Fun Festival, BJ Hickman Magic Show, Pet Activity Classes, Halloween Costume Swap, GPS Workshops, Parent & Child Model Rocket Classes, Constellation & Portable Planetarium Workshops, Space Educators Workshop, Sports Equipment Swap, Halloween Party, Family "Monster Mash" Social, Summer "Concerts on the Lawn", and the "Aero-Fare." The Department will also take used ink/laser jet cartridges. A company in Fremont, NH gives the Department \$1.50 for each cartridge given to them.

The goal of the Department remains to: "Offer a wide range of activities for all ages designed to meet the needs of the community, and to encourage healthy use of your leisure and recreation time." It does not matter what your age, there is always something for you to do. If you have an idea for a new program or activity, please call me at 539-1307 and we can discuss your idea and possibly include it into our schedule of programs and events. Many of the programs and events you see listed here are the result of a conversation that I had with someone who had an idea for a new program.

The Town is responsible for the following Recreation Areas and Facilities: Swimming Areas: Mill Pond, Cleveland Beach (Town Beach on Duncan Lake), Boat Landings: on Pequawket Trail, on Harpers Ferry Landing, on Ossipee Lake Drive, and on Nichols Road, Swimming & Boat Landing Area: Whittier Bridge Area, White Pond, Parks, Ballfields, Hiking Trails & Tennis Courts: Constitution Park, Ballfields & Basketball Court: YMCA Field, Parks: Mill Pond, Bearcamp Recreation Area (on Newman Drew Road), Other: Outdoor Ice Rink, Indoor Facilities: Town Hall Gym.

The development and maintenance of Town recreation facilities is jointly monitored by myself, Dave Senecal (Zoning Enforcement Officer) and the Board of Selectmen. These duties had been the primary responsibility of the Town Engineer/Public Works Director. However, that position is currently vacant.

This past year work on the maintenance and development of the Town's Recreation Facilities continued with the following projects that were completed in 2004:

- Installation of 2 sets of bleachers at the YMCA Field,
- Replacement of benches in the dugouts at the YMCA Field,
- Renovation of the dugouts at the YMCA Field,
- Installation of new bleachers at Constitution Park,
- Renovation of the infield diamonds on the 2 baseball fields at the YMCA Field,
- Start Construction of a warning track around the perimeter of the baseball field at Constitution Park,
- Repairs to cracks in the Tennis Courts at Constitution Park,
- Start construction of 2 new baseball/softball fields at Constitution Park.

On the schedule for 2005:

- Install water at the YMCA Field,
- Improve the parking area at the YMCA Field,
- Install a new scoreboard at the YMCA Field,
- Install new bases and pitching plates at both the YMCA Field and Constitution Park,
- Evaluate the current water source at Constitution Park and determine if an additional source of water is needed based on future expansion plans
- Complete the warning track at Constitution Park,,
- Continue to work on the 2 new baseball/softball fields at Constitution Park,
- Renovation of the infield of the existing baseball field at Constitution Park,
- Installation of playground equipment at both Constitution Park and the YMCA Field,
- Renovate the Changing Building at the Town Beach on Duncan Lake,
- Investigate ways to improve and renovate the park at the Mill Pond.

- Renovations and upkeep of the existing trails at Constitution Park,
- Investigate renovations and installation of hiking trails at the Bear Camp River Recreation Site.

Some of the long range (within the next 5 years) plans that I would like to see and I am currently working on:

- Town Skate Park, (utilizing the existing Ice Rink which would still be used for skating in the winter),
- Community/Teen Center,
- Additional Part-time or Full-time staff for the Recreation Department,
- Recreation Master Plan updates.

This past year the Ossipee Old Home Week Committee constructed a wonderful pavilion at Constitution Park between the "Snack Shack" and the pump house along the left field fence of the baseball field. This is a wonderful addition to the Park and I thank the Old Home Week Committee for their wonderful donation to the town and for the activities they provide to the Town. This small group of dedicated people provide a lot of great activities for the Town over the course of the year.

The e-mail address for the Recreation Department is: ossrec@worldpath.net. Thanks to the fine efforts of Jim Patterson and Peg Castine, the Department also has a web page. The web page address is: <http://groups.msn.com/OssipeeRecreationDepartment>. Events and other items are posted on it on a regular basis. From this site, you can obtain information about the Department, upcoming events, and you can also link to other sites in town. Eventually I would like to be able to have people register for programs on-line.

Weekly updates in the local newspapers and occasional announcements on Channel 3 on Cable TV are sent out to keep you up-to-date on what is happening with the Department. In addition, the Program Brochure is published on a quarterly basis (Spring: March-May, Summer: June-August, Fall: September-November, Winter: December-February) that serves as a handy resource for you to inquire about what is available through the Department. 1300-1500 are produced each Quarter to keep you informed! The size and content of the brochure continues to expand as more programs and activities are added. I continue to participate in the NPRA (National Parks & Recreation Association) Program Brochure Exchange Program. Ossipee's brochure is sent out to over 600 recreation departments around the country, Canada, and Guam. In return, they send their brochures to me. It is a wonderful way to network and share ideas.

The Ossipee Recreation Department continues to maintain its membership with the following organizations:

- New Hampshire Recreation & Parks Association,
- Carroll County Recreation Director's Association,
- New Hampshire Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance,
- National Parks & Recreation Association,
- National Arbor Day Foundation,
- United States Tennis Association,
- National Alliance for Youth Sports.

Membership in these organizations provides valuable resources and input on a local, state, regional, and national level. The Department is also actively involved in the organization of the Ossipee Old Home Week, the Ossipee Central School's "School's Out" After-School Program, and other local activities and events. I look forward to working closely with the new Main Street Ossipee Staff in their quest to revitalize the Town.

I was President of the New Hampshire Recreation & Parks Association (NHRPA), through May 2004. I currently serve (through June, 2005) as Past-President of NHRPA. On this board, not only do I represent Ossipee, but Recreation Professionals from across the State of New Hampshire. I currently serve on the Social, Awards, and Programs Committees for NHRPA. I am a Deputy Fire Chief/1st Responder/Fire Inspector for the Center Ossipee Fire & Rescue Department and am also a member of a number of other organizations in Ossipee as well as an Instructor for the American Red Cross. I also serve on the Advisory Boards for the Kingswood Regional Teen Prevention Task Force and of "The Nick" field complex in Wolfeboro.

This is a "One Person" Recreation Department. Therefore I rely almost 100% on volunteers and cooperative efforts with local businesses and non-profits to run all of the activities you read about earlier in this report. Because of this, a special **THANK YOU** is extended to all coaches, referees, umpires, instructors, summer camp and lifeguard staff, and volunteers who generously share their time and expertise with all of the residents of Ossipee, young and old. This community has a great community and volunteer spirit!

This volunteer effort greatly enhances the quality of the activities and programs. Without your help, guidance, and support, the department could not accomplish what it does. I want to also show my deep appreciation to all of the businesses, civic groups, non-profit groups, individuals, the staff at the Ossipee Central and Effingham Schools, and the other Town of Ossipee Departments for their support of the Recreation Department. Through your financial contributions and your individual efforts, many residents of the town (young and old) have been able to participate in department activities. Thanks also to: Peter Olkkola and Laurence



Brownell for keeping the fields and the Mill Pond Park looking sharp; to Todd and Chris Nason for setting up the Town Hall for the variety of activities; to Harold White and the Highway Department for keeping the Ice Rink free of snow; to Thomas Sheffer and his parents for keeping the Ice Rink in excellent skating condition this season; and to Ken and the Water Department for their assistance in keeping the water flowing to keep the Ice Rink flooded. Thanks also to Sam Martin for all her hard work on the brochure. Special thanks to my mother, Virginia Waugh, who folds all my brochures!

Remember, Recreation is more than just sports! Recreation is what you do in your leisure time! What will you and your family do this year to recreate? Try something new and see the impact that it has for the good of you and your family. The programs the Department offers is not just for young people. The Department is here to serve all the residents of Ossipee. The Department office is located next to the Town Hall on Main Street, Center Ossipee.

For a small town, we have a lot to offer. It is a joy to serve as your Recreation Director.

Enjoy Life.....Recreate! The Benefits are Endless!

Respectfully submitted,
Peter Waugh
Recreation Director



Skill Builders Teen Basketball

OSSIPEE LAKE DAM AUTHORITY'S REPORT

The following is a report of the expense of the Dam Authority for the year 2004. Figures for the split between the two towns are based on the assessed equalized value of the two towns. These figures are furnished by the State of New Hampshire, Department of Revenue Administration.

Sum Required by DES	\$30,000.00
Expenditures:	\$10,592.07

Equalization Assessment Value:

Ossipee	\$516,433,467.00	57.4% of \$10,592.07 = \$6,079.84
Freedom	\$300,512,994.00	42.6% of \$10,592.07 = \$4,512.22

These figures are revised each and every year in order to bring the deficit of the past year up to \$30,000, the beginning balance of the coming year.

The following is a report of expenses for the Dam Authority for the year 2004.

Verizon	\$417.99
PSNH	112.68
Postmaster	31.40
DES Bearcamp Guage	6,230.00
Freedom Fire Department	150.00
West Ossipee Fire Department	150.00
John Picard, Chairman	3,000.00
Robert Houle, Sec./Treas.	500.00
Snow Removal	150.00
Expense	\$10,592.07

Respectfully submitted,
Robert F. Houle
Secretary/Treasurer

VNA-HOSPICE

Annual Report 2004

VNA-Hospice is a not-for-profit, Medicare certified Agency that is licensed by the State of New Hampshire to provide home health care, hospice care, maternal child health care and community health services to residents in Alton, Brookfield, Effingham, Freedom, Moultonboro, Ossipee, Sandwich, Tamworth, Tuftonboro, Wakefield and Wolfeboro. While our office is located in Wolfeboro our staff drove close to one-half million miles throughout this region to provide 34,707 visits during fiscal year 2004.

The Agency is proud to have provided residents in Ossipee with a total of 7,572 visits this past year. This included 4,840 home health care visits, 2,051 hospice visits and 681 maternal child health visits. A visit may be made by a registered nurse, a physical therapist, an occupational therapist, a speech therapist, a licensed nursing assistant or a homemaker.

Home health is the fastest growing division of the health care industry, and that trend is going to continue. Home health care is effective and cost efficient. We provide care in a patient's home, which is where you want to be cared for. VNA-Hospice goal is to meet the health care needs of our service communities today and tomorrow. VNA-Hospice was the first Agency in this region to provide telehealth monitoring to our most vulnerable patients. We are currently in the process of evaluating a new information technology system that will allow clinical staff members to carry computers into patient homes. Paperwork is a major burden to all of our staff. Computerization will reduce that burden, but more important it will be a tool that will give them immediate access to information that can be used to improve patient care. Each computer will have a special medication program. It will allow them access to the notes of other care providers so that continuity of care can be maximized.

There continues to be some major challenges that impact the home care industry. These challenges affect VNA-Hospice's ability to provide the residents of Ossipee with quality services. It seems like many of the patients that are referred to us have multiple health care problems and are more acutely ill. This increases their need for services and it increases our costs to provide the quality of care that this Agency is known for and committed to. There continues to be a shortage of qualified health care personnel in this region, especially therapists and nursing staff. The Federal government continues to increase its oversight on the industry. This increases the cost of doing business, but funding by the State and Federal governments is either decreasing or at budget neutral.

Thank you for your continued support and for allowing VNA-Hospice to provide you with your home health care services.

Respectfully submitted,
Marilyn Barba, MS, RN, CHCE
Executive Director

OSSIPEE CONCERNED CITIZENS

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Ossipee, Ossipee Concerned Citizens, Inc. submits its Annual Report for 2004:

The administration of Ossipee Concerned Citizens takes this opportunity to acknowledge with pride those who have supported "OCC" through thirty years of incorporation. Hundreds of citizens within the Town of Ossipee and surrounding communities have voluntarily accepted invitations to serve on the twenty member Board of Directors and Executive Committee. They represent agency policies and performance, and those who benefit from the variety of services provided. In addition, members take part in a variety of fundraising activities and other program events.

The staff of OCC is somewhat unique to human service organizations. While significant employee turnover is not uncommon to many provider agencies, members of the OCC staff in all primary programs have acquired invaluable experience through their dedicated length of service. New and innovative ideas tend to germinate from knowledge gained by trial and practice.

When residents of a community believe in the philosophy of an organization, their interest in volunteerism may be strong. OCC has been extremely fortunate to have scores of volunteers who are able to help our agency reach goals otherwise unattainable. They can fill many spaces the budget cannot.

Below is a partial list of programs, events, and fundraising activities held during 2004:

Elderly Nutrition (60,000 meals) (meals-on-wheels) (congregate meals)	Penny sales
W.I.C. (750 clients) (nutrition and education)	Senior Shopping Trips
Ossipee Crossings Child Care	Senior Recreation Trips
Senior Center	OCC Uptown Boutique
Commodity Supplemental Foods Program (CSFP)	Catering
Blood Pressure Clinics (Wolfeboro VNA)	Salt Pork & Sundown (recipe book and more)
Rabies Clinic (Kindness Animal Hospital)	Canoe Raffle (by Ward's Boat Shop)
Monday Night Whist	Haunted Train Ride (thanks volunteers)
Monday Afternoon Bingo	Second Hand Sales
Spring Fling	Rummage Sales
Harvest Fair	Additional Raffles
Public Turkey Suppers	Christmas Fair (benefit Santa Project)
	Santa Project (community program)

The Moultonboro/Sandwich Senior Meals Program, held at the Moultonboro Lions Club and strongly supported by them, is now under the auspices of OCC. The sponsorship began last July, 2004.

The Annual Budget of Ossipee Concerned Citizens, Inc. is \$750,000.00. Congratual arrangements with the State of New Hampshire and the United States Department of Agriculture, the Ossipee Children's Fund, donations, and fundraising comprise the greatest part of the budget. OCC volunteers and staff raised \$31,000.00 in 2004. More than in any other year. Over the past eighteen months, costs of food and fuel have increased 20 to 25 percent, as it has for all residents. Hence, the need to continue to fundraise throughout the coming year.

Thank you to the entire community for your continued support in so many forms. Ossipee Concerned Citizens, Inc. will persist in its efforts to provide quality service in all areas of programming.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna E. Sargent
Executive Director, OCC



WELFARE

Annual Report, 2004

Quarters

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Heat	\$ 578.75	\$ 241.15	\$ 226.09	\$2,727.35	\$3,773.34
Gas-Auto	287.80	70.00	-0-	24.50	382.30
Shelter	3,840.48	1,254.60	5,781.25	3,694.90	14,571.23
Medication	544.81	468.76	107.73	176.98	1,298.28
Electric	360.72	657.82	392.23	530.95	1,941.72
Food/Personal	20.00	504.42	39.26	-0-	563.68
Totals	\$5,632.56	\$3,196.75	\$6,546.56	\$7,154.68	\$22,530.75

This year's repayments totaling \$0.00.

This year's liens totaled \$3,432.40.

This year total applications: 150; a total of 88 applicants received assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha B. Eldridge
Welfare Director

OSSIPEE WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION

The Ossipee Water and Sewer Department, under the auspice of the Ossipee Water and Sewer Commission, has made many improvements during the year of 2004 for the benefit not only of our water system residents but for all the residents within the Town of Ossipee using subsurface sewage disposal systems for their homes. We now have a good working program that permits the Hauler to "off load" in N. Conway. Only systems within the boundaries of Ossipee may use "Camp David" pursuant to the Town Ordinance. This provision is strictly enforced.

Provisions are now underway to increase both our leach and our lagoon capacity in order to accommodate the current and projected growth for the Town of Ossipee. One hundred and fifty building permits were issued during the past 18 months, all being serviced by "Camp David".

The accumulated "sludge" in the current lagoon is scheduled to be removed, mixed with sand, screened and stockpiled to continue the drying process before ground spreading. The State inspectors have reviewed the site and were very pleased with conditions.

We are currently in the process of applying for a grant to cover the projected cost of upgrading the Route 16 water line. The pipes are very old and so corroded that the interior has less than two inches of clearance. The projected cost for replacement is approximately \$400,000.00. The Commission has put aside \$200,000.00 so far and have already covered the cost of design. An application has been submitted to the Department of Safety for permission to do the work on Route 16. If we are unsuccessful in obtaining a grant we will be seeking funds from the State Revolving Loan Program at 1 1/2% for one year. It is the Commissioners intent not to operate the Ossipee Water and Sewer Department under a "crisis mode". Thinking and planning ahead is essential.

The department has worked long and hard on maintenance of our hydrant system within the precinct of Center Ossipee. The system not only services the "Water System Users" but all properties within 700 feet of a hydrant and also has the ability to supply Water to the "Tankers" for use of homes outside the reach of the hose.

Maintenance of the hydrants is costly as well as labor intense. A replacement hydrant or an addition of a hydrant runs in the neighborhood of \$2,000.00 to \$2,300.00 including excavation and connections. All hydrants must be flushed at least once a year, inspected, parts replaced, painted, put in antifreeze yearly and snow and ice removed following each storm. Every time we update a line, by State Requirement we must add hydrants at a minimum of every 500 feet. We realize what the impact is and will be on the precinct taxpayer but there are no other options. If we do not maintain, improve, and increase our hydrant system we will not be in compliance and the insurance coverage for the precinct users being serviced will greatly increase. The Commissioners thoroughly understand the Taxpayers frustration concerning the expense of the hydrant system and deeply appreciate your understanding in the matter. We have no other alternatives but to comply with the State requirements.

The operation of the water plant and system went smoothly this past year with only a few water breaks and/or equipment replacements. The large holding tank on Valley Road was professionally inspected both inside and out. This inspection is required once every five years. Pictures of the interior of the tank are on file in the Dept. Office. Inspection passed with flying colors.

At this point in time, we the commissioners, want to extend our sincere appreciation and thanks to the various Town Departments for their continued help and support throughout the year 2004. The Board of Selectmen, Martha Eldridge (Town Administrator), Barbara Adams and her staff, Trish and Tracy (Tax Office), Gail Gliesman (payroll), Kellie Skehan (Treasurer), the very hard working Highway Department with all their work crews and last but not least the Highway Foreman, Bruce Williams without whose valuable assistance we would have had to raise the rates to offset the plowing and other miscellaneous jobs that only a well organized Highway Department does for the system. Our hats off to each and every one of them. The team work has been great.

Respectfully submitted,
Commissioners
Randy Lyman, Chair
Elliott Harris
June Loud, Clerk

CENTER OSS�PEE FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT

In the year 2004, the Center Ossipee Fire & Rescue Department answered 300 emergency calls -- more emergency calls than recorded in any one year in the history of the department. The calls covered a broad range of requests including calls for medical services, structure fires, auto accidents, alarm activations, forest fires, service calls and mutual aid requests. The Fire & Rescue Department spent more than five hundred hours training in 2004. The chief's office spent two hundred hours related to single and multi-family dwelling inspections this year.

In 2004, the Department added an ATV with a rescue sled to its fleet of fire and rescue vehicles in preparation for the future needs of the precinct. Also, in 2004, the Department added a cascade system to the station to fill bottles for self contained breathing apparatus. The Department received a grant through FEMA which allowed for the installation of an exhaust ventilation system to the station, as well as a fire and security alarm system to the station. The Department also received a state homeland security grant totaling \$21,000 to purchase new Motorola 100-watt mobile radios. The Department received a total of \$50,500 in grant money in the year 2004.

The Department members' certifications consist of the following: eleven certified level one firefighters, two level two certified firefighters, fifteen certified in incident command system, fifteen certified hazardous material operations, two hazardous material technicians, two certified at Inspector One level, two certified in confined space rescue work, eight certified ladder company operators, four First Responders, five certified at EMT-Basics level, two certified at EMT-Intermediate level, and two paramedics. The members of the Center Ossipee Fire and Rescue Department are committed to striving for the safety and success of our community as well as planning and preparing for the future.

As chief I would like to thank all of the dedicated, hardworking members of the Department, the Precinct Fire Commissioners for their hard work, and the members of the precinct who continue to support the Center Ossipee Fire & Rescue Department.

Fire Call Activity 2004

Oil Burner Calls	1	Hazardous Materials Calls	3
Medical Calls	142	Smoke Investigations	5
Electrical Fire Calls	2	Mutual Aid Calls	30
Car Fires	8	Service Calls	5
Accidents	31	Misc. Fires	5
Carbon Monoxide Alarm Activations	2	Standby in Station	1
Chimney Fires	2	Structure Fires	6
Fire Alarm Activations	29	Unlawful Burns	7
Water Craft Rescue	1	Dumpster Fires	3
Forestry Fires	3	ATV Emergencies	4
Power Line Fires (trees on wires)	10	TOTAL CALLS	300

Respectfully submitted,
Michael D. Brownell
Chief

FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT FOR 2004

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Precinct Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands cooperate to reduce the risk of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Precinct Fire Department to find out if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Fire permits are mandatory for all outside burning unless the ground where the burning is to be done (and surrounding areas) is completely covered with snow. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and the other outdoor burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail, plus suppression cost.

A law effective January 1, 2003 prohibits residential trash burning (RSA 125-N). (also see pages 3-5 for additional information) The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local precinct fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information contact the Division of Forest & Lands (603) 271-2217, or online at www.nhdf.org.

This last year was fairly wet throughout the spring and summer months, however we finished the season with an active fall fire season. In order to meet an increased demand for services, the Forest Protection Bureau was reorganized into three regions with smaller Forest Ranger Districts and over the last several years we have added two Forest Rangers. The fifteen state fire towers were the first to report on many fires throughout the state and they completed many other projects on the low fire danger days. The state implemented a program called Tower Quest to help citizens learn about fire towers and the need to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. The United States celebrated Smokey Bear's 60th birthday in 2004, and celebrations were held throughout the state. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire smart and fire safe!

Help us to protect you and our forest resources. Most New Hampshire wildfires are human caused. Homeowners can help protect their homes by maintaining adequate green space around the house and make sure that the house number is correct and visible. Contact your Forest Fire Warden, Precinct Fire Department or the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands at www.nhdf.org or 271-2217 for wildland fire safety information.

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRES 2004 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires Reported thru November 18, 2004)

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Arson	15
Campfire	41
Children	12
Smoking	19
Debris	201
Railroad	1
Equipment	5

(*Misc: powerlines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)

	<u>Total Fires</u>	<u>Total Acres</u>
2004	462	147
2003	374	100
2002	540	187
2001	942	428

INFORMATION ON OUTDOOR BURNING It's the Law - RSA 227-L:17(II)

Anyone who wishes to burn clean, ordinary combustibles such as leaves, brush or untreated lumber, or have a camp or cooking fire must have written permission from the landowner and a fire permit from the local forest fire warden or local fire department in the town or city where the fire will be kindled. You must be at least 18 years of age to obtain a written fire permit.

PERMITS FOR BURNING OUTDOORS REQUIRED BY LAW!

The public and all municipal or privately owned camp or picnic grounds must obtain an annual written fire permit from the town forest fire warden for use of outside fireplaces, camp or cooking fires used in the operation of the camp or picnic grounds. Such camp or cooking fires should:

1. fire pit be in an area cleaned to mineral soil at least 8 feet across
2. fire pit area no larger than 2 feet across
3. have at least 6 inches of sand or gravel under the fire for any fire built on the ground;
4. have no limbs or other burnable material to a height of 10 feet above the fireplace area
5. be constructed so they cannot be moved from their mineral soil area
6. no combustible materials within 10 feet of fire pit area

What You Can Burn and When?

Only leaves, woody debris or brush less than 5 inches in diameter, or untreated wood and dimension lumber can be burned. For any open burning a written fire permit is required. Even with the permit, no open burning between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm unless it is raining.

PLEASE NOTE: A permit for outdoor burning is not required for gas or charcoal grills that are up off the ground, and when the ground where you are burning and the surrounding area is completely covered with snow no fire permit is required.

Air quality regulations restrict the type of material burned in the open. Stumps, painted or treated lumber, tires, tubes, plastics, foam rubber and shingles are some of the prohibited materials (see Department of Environmental Services, Air Resources Division Open Burning Rules).

<http://www.des.state.nh.us/ard/enva1001.pdf> requires the free Adobe Acrobat Reader.

**RSA 125-N PROHIBITS RESIDENTIAL TRASH
BURNING IN HOME INCINERATORS.
PERMITS WILL NOT BE ISSUED FOR THE BURNING OF
RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL TRASH.**

The Problem

In some areas of New Hampshire, the burning of residential waste materials such as paper, plastics, household trash and garbage in a burn barrel or backyard incinerator has been a common practice to dispose of this solid waste. This practice can result in harmful health and environmental effects.

- Household burn barrels and backyard incinerators operate at relatively low temperatures and have poor combustion efficiency.
- Today's residential trash contains inks, dyes, chlorine, plastics, toxic metals and a variety of synthetic materials, which produce toxic by-products when burned.
- Under these poor operating conditions, many air pollutants are generated and released directly into the air, where they stay close to the ground and affect the health of residents and neighbors, especially children.

According to a recent EPA study, burning a week's worth of trash from a single home in an open barrel can put as much of some toxic chemicals (such as dioxin and furans) in the air as a well-controlled municipal incinerator burning the trash from thousands of homes!

The Solution

Recognizing the environmental and public health effects of residential trash burning, the N.H. Legislature passed a new law in 2001 (RSA 125-N) that prohibits the "*residential burning of combustible domestic waste.*" This ban on "backyard trash burning" took effect **January 1, 2003**. The ban includes materials such as household trash, packaging materials, coated or laminated papers, rubber, painted or treated wood, coated or treated cardboard, oily rags and animal, vegetable, and kitchen waste. Penalties for illegal burning of trash may include a warning, with an explanation of the ban; fines of up to \$100 for the first offense; and fines of up to \$250 for subsequent offenses.

The law gives DES primary responsibility for enforcing the ban, and requires DES, in cooperation with the New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED), to educate and notify the public regarding the ban. Although DES has the primary responsibility for enforcement of the ban, DES is working closely with DRED and forest fire wardens on implementing the law.

The ban **does not** include the outdoor burning of clean wood, leaves and small brush, campfire wood, and charcoal. These materials can be burned in a burn pile, but not a barrel, with a fire permit from the local fire warden. Penalties for burning without a fire permit include fines of up to \$2,000 or one year imprisonment, or both. DRED has enforcement authority under RSA 227-L.

For additional information on these and other issues relating to residential trash burning, please contact DES Air Toxics Program Manager at (603) 271-1987, 800-498-6868, or e-mail to : desair@des.state.nh.us. For information on alternatives to backyard burning (proper solid waste management, recycling, composting, etc.) contact DES's Planning and Community Assistance Section.

When you request a written fire permit you will need to know the following:

What are you going to burn? Material must be clean ordinary combustibles. Brush cannot exceed 5 inches in diameter.

Where are you going to burn? How far from the nearest structure, trees and dead vegetation or overhead phone or power lines? Fires must be no closer than 50 feet from a structure or 25 feet if in an approved burn container.

When do you want to burn? Date, time of day, no burning 9:00 am to 5:00 pm unless it's raining (permit needed even when raining).

What do you have for fire protection? A hose, shovel or rake, and a bucket of water should be available at the fire. *You are liable for the costs of extinguishing escaped fires.*

How much help will you have during the burn? Your fire must be attended at all times, or completely extinguished.

Do you own the land where you plan to burn? If not, do you have written permission from the landowner?

Will you be able to extinguish your fire if someone complains? Officials could require a fire be put out if there are smoke complaints.

Are there any tires or tubes in the material to be burned? Tires, tubes, plastics, shingles, and foam rubber are just some of the prohibited materials.

Do you need more information on acquiring a written fire permit for outdoor burning?

Here are the numbers to call, however please make your call to **only one** number.

Forest Fire Warden	539-5290 (see our link at www.ossipee.org)
Ossipee Corner Fire Station	539-2407
Center Ossipee Fire Station	539-4401
West Ossipee Fire Station(s)	539-6906

Volunteer fire/rescue personnel answer these phones, so please allow time for calls to be returned. These are the same people that are answering emergency calls on a daily basis.

Call in advance of the day you wish to burn, this will allow time for your call to be returned and for someone to issue the permit. It is not an emergency to want to burn brush or have a campfire.

Forest Fire Warden: Keith Brown, **Deputy Forest Fire Wardens:** Brad Eldridge, Mark Washburn, Roland Libby, Don Eldridge, Bob Short, Dana Cullen, John Smith, Adam Riley, and Mike Brownell.

Respectfully submitted,
Keith Brown
Forest Fire Warden

OSSIPPEE CORNER FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT - 2004

The Members of the Department had a very busy year. They not only answered 286 Emergency Calls, but they also attended Department Training and/or Meetings. The Roster currently stands at fifteen. The Department was awarded a grant for 1,800 smoke alarms and batteries to be given out to our Precinct Residents. With receipt of these, the Department kicked off its "Detect For Life" campaign. A packet was sent to all Precinct Residents not only including information on the smoke alarms, but also carbon monoxide, fire escape plans, fire extinguishers, outdoor burning, and home heating safety. Any smoke alarm that is ten years old or older should be replaced. The facts speak clearly, **WORKING SMOKE ALARMS SAVE LIVES**. The Department held its first give away in October and gave out 344 smoke alarms. Since then they have been giving them out to Residents as they request them. This has been time consuming, but well worth it. There are still smoke alarms left, so if you are a Precinct Resident and either need them or question if you have enough or need replacement alarms please give the fire station a call. I would like to thank all the members of the department as well as the individuals outside the department that have helped make this a success.

There were 31 Oil Burner and Woodstove Permits issued. There were a total of 72 Town Building Applications issued in the Precinct, of these, 30 were for new single family homes, 2 were for new commercial buildings, and 40 were for some type of addition, renovation, or outbuilding. The following is a breakdown for our Emergency calls for the year.

DEPARTMENT STATISTICS:

Total calls: 286

Total man-hours for calls, training and department meetings: 3,850

Administrative hours (inspections, meetings, department operations): 1,847

YEARLY CALL TOTALS

Structure Fires: 24

Carbon Monoxide Alarms: 0

Vehicle Fires: 5

Outside Fires: 19

Haz-Mat Incidents: 6

Alarm Activations: 15

Special Services: 2

Mutual Aid Assists: 40

Misc. Responses: 8

Chimney Fires: 7

Motor Vehicle Accidents: 73

Smoke Investigations: 7

Wires/Trees Down: 8

Medical Aids: 106

Station Coverage: 6

I would like to graciously thank the Members of the Ossipee Corner Fire Department for their continuous commitment, unselfish acts, and family sacrifices that they make, whenever duty calls, to make the Community a safer place to live. Thank you to the Precinct Commissioners and people of the community for your support of the Department.

Respectfully submitted,
Adam Riley, Chief
Ossipee Corner Fire Department



WEST OSSISPEE FIRE & RESCUE DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT - 2004

The West Ossipee Fire - Rescue Dept. saw a 23% increase in call volume. The largest increase being in the medical aid and rescue areas. Training accounted for 1,280 man-hours in 2004, with continuing fire-rescue and medical training. The addition of a 6-wheel drive ATV that is retrofitted with tracks and has a rescue trailer has been a great asset to our rescue capabilities. A new state of the art pumper will be delivered in the spring. The unit features a CAFS (compressed air foam system), this will allow us to extinguish fire using much less water and time, thus causing less damage.

The following is a summary of calls.

Structure Fires	30	Electrical	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	45	Dumpster Fires	2
Medical Aids	81	Gas Leaks	4
Chimney Fires	5	False Alarms	1
Brush/Grass Fires	9	Service Calls	12
Outside/Illegal Fires	17	Station Coverage	1
Car Fires	4	Storm Related	7
Rescue Boat/ATV	10		
Alarm Activations	11	Total	241

I would like to thank the officers, firefighters and their families for the time spent and time apart. I would also like to thank the Board of Commissioners, the Selectmen, The Ossipee Police Dept., Ossipee Highway Dept., and Code Enforcement Officer, Carroll County Sheriff's Dept., New Hampshire State Police Troop E, and Ossipee Valley Mutual Aid Fire Depts. for all their assistance throughout the year. I would also like to thank all of the businesses and citizens for food and refreshments during and after calls; your support does not go unnoticed.

We have smoke detectors available free of charge for anyone who needs them, and we will install them at no charge. Any questions please call 539-6909.

Thank you and have a safe and happy 2005.



Respectfully submitted,
Bradley Eldridge, Chief
West Ossipee Fire-Rescue

Mutual Aid
Chocorua Valley Lumber
Dec. 2004

GOVERNOR WENTWORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT

1. ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION

A. OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

MODERATOR

Randy Walker

CLERK

Mary E. Patry

TREASURER

Debra A. Golder

AUDITOR

Vachon, Clukay & Co., PC

COUNSEL

Law Office of Soule, Leslie, Kidder, Sayward & Loughman

Mr. John Widmer, Chair	Tuftonboro	2006
Ms. Diane Drelick, Vice-Chair	Effingham	2007
Ms. Nancy Jacobson	Brookfield	2005
Mr. Ken Hoyt	Wolfeboro	2005
Ms. Charlene Seibel, Mbr-at-Lg.	Wolfeboro	2005
Mr. Ernest Brown, Mbr-at-Lg.	Brookfield	2006
Mr. Linscott Fadden, Jr.	New Durham	2006
Mr. Donald Meader, Mbr-at-Lg.	Ossipee	2007
Mr. James Rines	Ossipee	2007

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

John B. Robertson

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Kathleen C. McCabe

DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Kathleen Cuddy-Egbert

BUSINESS ASSISTANT

Mary E. Patry

CENTRAL OFFICE SUPPORT STAFF

Grace S. Douglas, Personnel Secretary

Elaine M. Eckhoff, Accounts Payable

Joanne K. Fiorini, Administrative Secretary

Sandra N. Libby, Bookkeeper

Barbara J. Melnik, Receptionist

Betty A. Sackos, Sp. Ed. Secretary

Cheryl M. Sawyer, Payroll Bookkeeper

TRANSPORTATION SUPERVISOR

Penelope Perry

SCHOOL LUNCH DIRECTOR

Catherine A. Kunzler

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

2004 was a most serious year for America. The ongoing threat of terrorism, the war in Iraq and the presidential election all had a significant impact on our daily lives. Across the country, public school systems continued to be reshaped by policy changes at the federal and state levels. At the federal level, No Child Left Behind and IDEA have a tremendous influence on how states conduct their business with respect to public education. Consequently, many of the mandates incorporated into these two pieces of legislation are passed through to local school districts. In New Hampshire, the process of state funding continues to be a topic to which our legislators are unable to find a permanent solution. The uncertainty not only creates a dilemma for school officials, but it also has an affect on voters as they consider school budgets. Other proposed changes in Concord include revamping the State Minimum Standards. If adopted by the State Board of Education, they are likely to have a significant impact on local school programs. While there is good intent behind all of these mandates, it must be remembered that there is a cost associated with each and every one of them.

The perpetual indecisiveness regarding the process by which Adequate Education Aid is distributed has resulted in an additional financial burden on the overall Governor Wentworth Regional School District. When voters went to the polls in March of 2004, the levels of both the state tax and aid for education had not yet been determined by the legislature. In the spring of 2004, however, New Hampshire legislators considered two funding options; the House and Senate version of SB302. Under the House version the District would have received an additional \$1,225,156 in revenue while under the Senate version the revenue gain was \$969,533. Either option would have provided some local property tax relief. In accordance with normal legislative procedure, the two options were considered by a Committee of Conference comprised of House and Senate members. The resulting compromise... a loss of revenue in the amount of \$872,989 and an increase of \$332,766 in "donor" monies flowing out of the District. It should be noted, however, that the change in funding did not have the same effect on all Governor Wentworth towns. Brookfield, Effingham and Tuftonboro each received a modest tax benefit from the funding change while New Durham, Ossipee and Wolfeboro taxes were adversely influenced. Across the District, however, the change in state education funding had about the same impact on education taxes as our requested increase in the 2005 General Fund budget.

On November 15, 2004, United States Congressman Jeb Bradley attended a school board meeting to discuss the federal legislation No Child Left Behind. He was very interested in our concerns and promised to bring them back to Washington. Everyone agrees that helping all children to learn and being held accountable for academic performance are reasonable expectations for the public school system. However, both the level of federal funding relating to new program requirements as well as the process by which school performance is rated need to be revisited. Last year, all of Governor Wentworth's elementary schools met the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) standard set under the law. In fact, the Tuftonboro Central School received a Presidential Blue Ribbon Award for being one of the top

performing elementary schools in the country. Kingswood Regional High School, however did not make AYP in spite of the fact that its test scores were higher than 62% of the high schools that did meet the standard. The apparent discrepancy resides in the fact that the AYP standard does not just apply to the school as a whole. Rather, a school is also viewed as a series of sub-groups (race, socio-economic status, handicapped, etc.) and each group must meet the required benchmark. Consequently, smaller schools tend to have fewer sub-groups on which to be judged. For example, Bow High School need only meet the standard for eight group decisions while Kingswood must meet it for 14 groups. Only two high schools in New Hampshire requiring more than 12 group decisions were able to attain the AYP standard. Our Middle School did not participate in the state testing program. Nonetheless, they too failed to make AYP. Under No Child Left Behind, schools that are not tested automatically inherit the status of the next higher grade school that did participate. Our point to Congressman Bradley was that a school performing well as a whole should not be penalized (or labeled) because of the testing performance of one or two pupils in a small sub-group.. the size of the school should not be a pre-established handicap. "One size for all" is not necessarily a good fit. It has become clear that the meaning of "local control" is not the same in Washington as it is in New Hampshire.

IDEA (Special Education) funding has grown. However, it is still about one-half of what was promised when the law was originally enacted in the 1970's. With respect to federal funding under No Child Left Behind, we have seen only a very modest increase in money for schools. However, urban areas with high concentrations of poverty have clearly benefited from this legislation. Our fear is that the funding for No Child Left Behind will follow the path of IDEA leaving the local taxpayer with the bill.

At the local level, perhaps the greatest disappointment of the year was our inability to secure three appropriate sites for our planned intermediate schools. Each facility requires a minimum of 20 usable acres. In spite of seeking parcels marketed by local realtors and running ads in the local newspaper, the number of sites suitable for a school turned out to be quite limited. While the Board gave several sites careful consideration, soil analysis, test borings and legal encumbrances prevented them from consummating a proposed land purchase. Consequently, they were not in position to present voters in a timely fashion with a comprehensive plan that could stand the test of public scrutiny. Bringing forth a project of this magnitude without providing adequate time for community discussion is a recipe for failure. The search and negotiation for suitable sites will continue and the Board remains committed to the basic tenants of the long-term facilities plan. Citizens who are aware of potentially suitable sites for the intermediate schools should bring the parcels to the attention of the School Board or Central Office Administration.

While there are many challenges facing the public school system in America, I have the utmost confidence that the Governor Wentworth Regional School District is up to the task at hand. We remain committed to the same educational excellence that produced two MD's and one Ph.D. from the Kingswood class of 1996. The dedication of the School Board, the quality of the staff and the

unwavering support of the community are all powerful assets in our quest to be the best that we can be. On behalf of the District, I want to thank everyone who has made a contribution towards educating the young people who reside here. You are making an important difference in the lives of our students.

Respectfully submitted,
John B. Robertson

REPORT OF THE OSSIPEE CENTRAL SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To the School Board, Superintendent of Schools, and the citizens of the Governor Wentworth Regional School District, I respectfully submit my twelfth annual report.

Ossipee Central School is proud to unveil the new climbing wall, located in the school's gymnasium. Fundraisers, sponsored by the School's Out and the OCS PTA, together with local business donations raised the monies for this project. Volunteers spent countless hours erecting the wall and a local artist is in the process of completing the mural. The mural will display a NH mountain range, the Old Man in the Mountain, habitats and wildlife local to this area.

Ossipee Central School continues to benefit from the 21st Century Community Learning Grant, which provides for the School's Out after school program. The School's Out Program continues to promote their main goals to improve academic achievement, to develop social skills and character and to increase out of school options by providing transportation.

Ossipee Central School was identified by the Department of Education, as a school in danger of becoming a school in need of improvement based on the NHEIAP scores from May of 2003. In January of 2003, SERESC in collaboration with the Department of Education conducted an independent study at OCS. They identified five essential questions to be addressed. An underlining question asked by the staff was, "Why are our children not performing at expected level?" The professional staff met regularly throughout the year to reflect on curriculum, continuity, communication and effective instructional practices. Action plans were developed and continually assessed, through data collection, by professional staff, throughout the remainder of the year. The students began to demonstrate progress in school based testing on open response questions and writing prompts. The staff and students are to be commended on their hard work. Based on the NHEIAP scores of 2004, Ossipee was not designated as a School in Need of Improvement.

During the week of July 12-16, ten educators from Ossipee Central School and Governor Wentworth Regional School District attended the H.O.P.E. Institute (Habits of Professional Excellence) in Nashua, NH. The New Hampshire Department of Education and the New England Comprehensive Assistance Center developed a series of structured activities designed to assist schools that have not made adequate yearly progress (AYP). The H.O.P.E. Institute was only the beginning of our Continuous School Improvement work. During the week in Nashua the

H.O.P.E. team considered many issues and challenges facing the faculty and the students. The professional staff continues the work of organizing and interpreting data, utilizing root cause analysis, examining all components of systemic school improvement, and learning new strategies for fostering collaboration inside and outside the school walls.

Ossipee Central School Volunteer Program received the Blue Ribbon Volunteer Award from the State of New Hampshire again this year. We continue to receive a tremendous amount of support from volunteers in the community. The Ossipee Central School PTA also contributes an immeasurable amount of support to our school, which enhances the quality of enrichment opportunities and programs for the students.

Other events sponsored by the school and supported by the community are: Curriculum Night, Open House, Band and Chorus concerts, Peer Helper Program, Elfin Fair, Winter Sports Program, RIF (Reading Is Fundamental) book distribution, Special Olympics, Memorial Day Program, Kindergarten Celebration, Sixth Grade Celebration, Field Day, "School Smile" Dental Program, Family Fun Nights, Talent Show and Pre-school Parent Nights.

I would like to thank the School Board, Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Director of Special Education, Director of Reading, GWRSD school administrators, faculty, staff, students, parents and the GWRSD community members for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth N. Hertzfeld

BIRTHS REPORTED TO THE TOWN OF OSSIPPEE

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

Name of Child	Date of Birth	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Place of Birth
Archambault, Desiray Mae	03/07/04	Jeremy Archambault	Carie Archambault	Wolfeboro
Avery, Jesse Carleton	05/22/04	Andrew Avery	Helen Avery	Wolfeboro
Bishop, Taylor Nicole	12/07/04	Matthew Bishop	Kimberly Bishop	No. Conway
Boewe, Cole Anthony	04/26/04	Nicholas Boewe	Renee Boewe	No. Conway
Brown, Jaren Tyler	09/14/04	Dale Brown	Tammy Brown	No. Conway
Brownell, Haley Rose	02/14/04	Bryan Keith Brownell	Michelle Lee Gale Brownell	Wolfeboro
Desjardins, Tyler Gould	03/11/04	Norman Desjardins	Betsy Desjardins	No. Conway
Dumais, Joshua David	02/27/04	Jean Dumais	Johannah Dumais	Wolfeboro
Everitt, Sarah Muria	04/21/04	Frederic Everitt	Muria Everitt	No. Conway
Faris, Zachary James	12/19/04	Jeffrey Faris	Melissa Faris	No. Conway
Fitzgerald, Jessie Derrick	10/07/04	Not Stated	Sarah Hodge	No. Conway
Kemper, Ezabella Jeanine	01/09/04	Jonathan Kemper	Karyl Kemper	Rochester
Krutilek, Kyle Jacob	08/25/04	Eric Krutilek	Tanya Krutilek	Concord
Littlefield, Trenton Leno	05/19/04	Norman Littlefield	Tricia Littlefield	Laconia
Mohan, Kendylle Madeline	03/30/04	James Mohan	Lisa Mohan	Rochester
O'Blenes, Maggie Caelin	12/16/04	Robert O'Blenes	Jessica O'Blenes	Wolfeboro
O'Gara, Cody Mullen	06/09/04	Patrick O'gara	Melissa O'Gara	Wolfeboro
Sacco, Anna Geneva	09/17/04	Anthony Sacco	Victoria White	No. Conway
Shaikh, Adam Ahmed	12/13/04	Adeel Shaikh	Alisha Shaikh	No. Conway
Smith, Kamron Grant	02/10/04	Jerome Smith	Justyn Smith	No. Conway
Wanke-Brewer, Alannah Leanne	10/05/04	Jason Brewer	Katrina Brewer	Plymouth

MARRIAGES REPORTED TO THE TOWN OF OSSISPEE

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

Name of the Groom	Residence of the Groom	Name of the Bride	Residence of the Bride	Date of Marriage
Allen, William	Ossipee	Merry, Deborah Leigh Milligan	Ossipee	09/11/04
Ayers, Chester William III	W. Ossipee	Ceriatti, Norma Victorino Carvalho	W. Ossipee	02/13/04
Borysenko, Viktor	W. Ossipee	Trumble, Maura J.	Ctr. Ossipee	11/03/04
Bunch, Matthew W.	Ossipee	Vienneau, Joanne M.	Ossipee	09/18/04
Clark, Brian David	Ossipee	Mitchell, Amanda Eleanor	Ossipee	07/02/04
Connor, David William	Ctr. Ossipee	Henderson, Lois Anne	Ctr. Ossipee	12/24/04
Couto, Daniel Joseph	Sabattus, ME	Bienweiler, Adrienne Meredith	Sabattus, ME	10/16/04
Crook, Robert A.	Braintree, MA	Yngve, Lauren J.	Braintree, MA	07/17/04
Custeau, Philip Noel Jr.	Ctr. Ossipee	Sargent, Sarah Jane	Ctr. Ossipee	07/03/04
Dakin, Keith Poor	Somerville, MA	Pearson, Caroline Elisabeth	Somerville, MA	06/05/04
Day, Scott Allan	Ctr. Ossipee	Day, Lynda Mary Rose Dore	Ctr. Ossipee	07/10/04
Dodson, Ronald Clinton	Ctr. Ossipee	McDormand, Lorraine Mary Jordan	Ctr. Ossipee	07/04/04
Eldridge, Guy H.	Ctr. Ossipee	Arsenault, Bonnie J.	Ctr. Ossipee	02/14/04
Gallant, Wilfred Joseph	Freedom	Singletary, Cynthia Lynn Metzger	Freedom	08/21/04
Goodwin, Joshua Kevin	Ctr. Ossipee	Cloutier, Stacy Marie	Ctr. Ossipee	03/28/04
Graham, David Leslie	Keene, ONT	Adshead, Kathleen Ann Dunlop	Keene, ONT	08/07/04
Groulx, Simon	Montreal, QUE	Halepis, Harriette B.	Laconia	08/21/04
Johnson, Chester Forrest III	Ctr. Ossipee	Dixon, Bambi Marie	Ossipee	07/04/04
Jones Robert E.	Ctr. Ossipee	Davis, Nicolle L.	Ctr. Ossipee	10/08/04
Jordan, Robert Earl	Ctr. Ossipee	Moore, Kristin Dorothy	Ctr. Ossipee	09/18/04
Larabee, Dennis Edwin	W. Ossipee	Loud, Stephanie Frances	W. Ossipee	09/07/04
McFarlane, Jeffrey J.	Ossipee	O'Dell, Katie C.	Wolfeboro	08/28/04
Moore, Michael Joseph	Ctr. Ossipee	Cornier, Kelley	Freedom	04/16/04

Name of the Groom	Residence of the Groom	Name of the Bride	Residence of the Bride	Date of Marriage
Nealley, Stuart Jay	Bartlett	Moses, Patricia Regina	Bartlett	09/24/04
O'Gara, Patrick Mullen	Ctr. Ossipee	Gilbert, Melissa Anne	Ctr. Ossipee	02/05/04
Phillips, Glenn Nelson	Effingham	Connolly, Theresa	Effingham	09/18/04
Prescott, Wayne F.	Newton, MA	McIntock, Karen A. Voneuw	Newton, MA	07/10/04
Riley, Daniel Bruton Jr.	Ossipee	Melanson, Linda Jean McGough	Ossipee	07/10/04
Roche, Timothy Edward	Ctr. Ossipee	Davis, Sharon Lee Brogan	Ctr. Ossipee	11/21/04
Roderick, William	Ossipee	Ingemi, Aurora S.	Ossipee	02/14/04
Sargent, Brian A.	Ossipee	Collyns, Karen R.	Wakefield	10/09/04
Shilling, John Richard	Ossipee	Doty, Cheryl Lee	Ossipee	08/28/04
Silvia, John L.	Ctr. Ossipee	Moniz, Donna L.	Ctr. Ossipee	08/12/04
Smith, Charles F.	W. Ossipee	Maciver, Cheryl E.	W. Ossipee	09/01/04
Swift, David R.	W. Ossipee	Clifford, Barbara J.	W. Ossipee	10/23/04
Ullmann, Andrew Leo	Cambridge, MA	Pratt, Cristina	Cambridge, MA	09/18/04
Walker, Duane Elwin Jr.	Ossipee	Coleman, Angel Ann	Ossipee	07/24/04
Wilder, Edwin R.	Ossipee	Sloat, Jennifer Lyn Foley	Ossipee	06/05/04
Woodruff, Jeremy Johnathan	Brookline, MA	Matsche, Susanne Caroline	Brookline, MA	09/10/04

DEATHS REPORTED TO THE TOWN OF OSS�PEE

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2004

Name	Date of Death	Name of Father / Mother	Place of Death
Aldrich, Donald	10/25/04	Roy Aldrich / Susie Metcalf	Wolfeboro
Arraji, Agnes	01/04/04	James McCarthy / Catherine Cunningham	Ossipee
Beeder, Mazie	02/04/04	George Page / Lizzie Hamilton	Ossipee
Benoit, Joseph	11/16/04	Joseph Benoit / Cecile Thibeault	Wolfeboro
Blanchard, Florence	09/16/04	William Bennett / Marie Baron	Manchester
Carmichael, Judith	02/10/04	Douglas Webster / Mildred Fitzpatrick	Ossipee
Chaput, Jeannette	09/17/04	George Verville / Marie Joyal	Ossipee
Clarke, Marjorie	11/25/04	William Butler / Mary Rieger	Ossipee
Condon, Donald	10/31/04	Wayne Condon / Winona Dickey	Moultonborough
Conlon, Frederick	08/05/04	William Conlon / Dorothy LaFountain	Wolfeboro
Cook, Carole	06/04/04	Ernest Perry / Violet Colbroth	Wolfeboro
Cook, Sidney	10/08/04	Austin Cook / Alice Dunning	W. Ossipee
Dow, Greta	12/20/04	William May / Nellie Potter	Ossipee
Dow, Roland	03/15/04	Ausbrey Dow / Bernice Ham	Ossipee
Eldridge, Rodney	10/23/04	Charles Eldridge / Reba Vittum	Ctr. Ossipee
Fahy, Richard	01/24/04	Charles Fahy / Laura Carter	Wolfeboro
Goodrich, Dana	11/11/04	Willard Goodrich / Barbara Martin	Ossipee
Gunzel, William	01/31/04	Fred Gunzel / Adelia Plattner	Exeter
Hall, John	02/03/04	John Hall / Laura Willey	Ossipee
Hansen, Neil E.	08/05/03*	Cornelius Hansen / Minnie Gritzmacher	Michigan
Hartford, Emma	03/20/04	Edward Parker / Louise Pierce	Ctr. Ossipee
Hatch, Donald	03/02/04	George Hatch / Beatrice Thlayer	Wolfeboro
Hickey, Hazel	10/04/04	Walter Placey / Roselthia Rines	Laconia
Holmes, Catharine	02/24/04	Robert Collins / Mabel Bragg	Ossipee

* Omitted from previous Town Report

Name	Date of Death	Name of Father / Mother	Place of Death
Kilroy, Barbara	05/07/04	Leo Murphy / Delia O'Shea	Dover
Kimball, Marion	01/04/04	Ellsworth Johnson / Eva Corson	Ossipee
Kjeldsen, Kirsti	12/27/04	Adalbert Virkhaus / Helen Sild	No. Conway
Lawton, Natalie	04/03/04	Clyde Drinkwater / Alma Briggs	Manchester
LeBlanc, Eva	05/23/04	Robichaud, Pierre / Marie Poirier	Ossipee
Legault, Paul	11/30/04	Henry LeGault / Yvonne Morin	Wolfeboro
Libby, Howard	06/21/04	Albion Libby / Mildred Wescott	Ossipee
Lord, Mary	10/18/04	Charles Burke / Adele O'Brien	Laconia
Melzard, Lillian	05/03/04	Maynard Jordan / Ida Mareters	Ossipee
Parker, Helen	09/26/04	Frederick Jones / Marjorie Eldridge	Ctr.. Ossipee
Reynolds, James	11/27/04	James Reynolds / Dorothy Barber	Ossipee
Riley, Herbert	09/23/04	William Riley / Blanche Bushway	Ctr. Ossipee
Roberts, Marion	03/28/04	Carl Jensen / Jane Rochfort	Ossipee
Roper, Olive	01/18/04	Albert Hall / Esther Young	Ossipee
Roulston, Bruce	10/08/04	George Roulston / Mathilda Salenius	Wolfeboro
Ryder, Beverly	07/13/04	Charles Eldridge / Reba Vittum	Wolfeboro
Sargent, Richard	08/02/04	Lawrence Sargent / Ruth Chase	Ctr. Ossipee
Sellers, Arleen	03/17/04	Mark Guiles / Margaret Cahee	W. Ossipee
Stackpole, Franklin	02/02/04	W. Stackpole / Margaret Fenton	Wolfeboro
Stanley, Ina	07/29/04	Supply Harmon / Grace Tripp	Wolfeboro
Steinbacher, Myrtle	01/31/04	George Quain / Marie Lemmler	Ossipee
Suprenard, Elizabeth	01/26/04	Joseph O'Connor / Marie Greenfield	Ossipee
Welch, Dorothy	09/21/04	William Browne / Winifred Swett	Ossipee
Wormstead, Gardner	05/24/04	Augustus Wormstead / Myrtle Ramsdell	Ossipee

I hereby certify the above vital statistics are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. These records are generated through the State of New Hampshire and forwarded to the resident's town.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara R. Adams, Town Clerk

NOTES

2005 Warrant

State of New Hampshire
County of Carroll, Town of Ossipee
Town Warrant

To the inhabitants of the Town of Ossipee in the County of Carroll, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in Center Ossipee, in said Town of Ossipee on Tuesday March 08, 2005 beginning at ten o'clock in the forenoon (10:00 a.m.) of said day to act on the following Articles, the polls to remain open until seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 p.m.) of said day.

Article #1 To elect all necessary Town Officer's for the ensuing year as follows:
to choose one (1) Selectman for a term of three (3) years; two (2) Zoning Board of Adjustment members for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Library Trustee for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Supervisor of the Checklist for a term of six (6) years; one (1) Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Water/Sewer Commissioner for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Zoning Board of Adjustment Member for a term of three (3) years; two (2) Budget Committee Members for a term of three (3) years; two (2) Planning Board members for a term of three (3) years; one (1) Cemetery Trustee for a term of one (1) year; one (1) Cemetery Trustee for a term of three (3) years.

Article #2 Shall the government of the Police Department of the Town of Ossipee be entrusted to a Police Commission?

If so, shall such Police Commissioners be chosen by:

(A) Popular election at Town Election, or

(B) Appointment of the Governor with consent of the Council

Submitted by petition (Majority vote required)

Article #3 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: An amendment to limit the number of dwelling units to four (4) in a multi-family dwelling and limit multi-family dwelling in the Village and Residential Zones to those in existing buildings on the Town's Sewer system. Multi-family dwellings in the Commercial Node District shall not be required to be in existing buildings or on Town Sewer. Multi-family dwellings must meet or exceed all Town and State regulations. (Majority vote required)

Article #4 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amendment increases "Residential Use" and encourages "Commercial Use" for development within the Commercial Node District. (Majority vote required)

Article #5 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amendment permits a small accessory apartment connected to a single-family dwelling. (Majority vote required)

Article #6 Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment No. 4 for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: A petitioned amendment to rezone the parcel of land, Tax Map 24, Lot 13.5, located at 819 Route 16 in the Residential Zone to Commercial Zone in order to bring it into compliance with the zoning of other similar properties in Town. (Submitted by Petition) (Not recommended by Planning Board) (Majority vote required)

You are notified to meet at the Town Hall in Center Ossipee, in said Town of Ossipee on the second Wednesday, March 9, 2005 at 6:30 o'clock in the evening (6:30 p.m.) to act on the following Articles:

Article #7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee recommended sum of three million seven hundred twenty thousand nine hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$3,720,985.00) for general municipal operations. (\$3,724,910.00 Recommended by Selectmen)

	Selectmen	Budget Committee
Conservation Agent	\$ 1,000.00	
Selectmen's Salaries	12,200.00	
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	177,295.00	
Elections & Registration	9,111.00	
Treasurer	8,434.00	
Selectmen's Office	337,961.00	
Economic Development	750.00	
Ossipee Lake Dam Authority	6,080.00	
Legal	50,000.00	
Planning Board	18,247.00	
Zoning Board of Adjustment	7,053.00	
Government Buildings	140,622.00	
Trustee of Trust Funds	3,630.00	
Cemeteries	19,126.00	
Insurance	101,996.00	
Police Department	511,485.00	
Police Special Duty Pay	32,872.00	
Dog Officer	10,609.00	
Fire Warden	19,800.00	
Zoning Enforcement Officer	67,930.00	
Highway	786,348.00	
Street Lighting	2,600.00	
Incinerator	386,336.00	
Health Agencies	62,743.00	58,818.00
OCC	15,000.00	
VNA	13,981.00	
CC MENTAL HEALTH	4,425.00	2,000.00
OSSIPEE CHILDREN	10,000.00	
STARTING POINT	1,200.00	

FAMILY SUPPORT	1,500.00	0.00
OSSIPEE PRE-SCHOOL	1,500.00	
AGAPE	6,000.00	
MEDICATION BRIDGE	1,800.00	
AMER RED CROSS	1,350.00	
WHITE MTN. HEALTH	2,487.00	
OSSIPEE HIST. SOC.	3,500.00	
Ambulance		180,000.00
Emergency Management		3,400.00
General Assistance		25,000.00
Recreation		136,214.00
Library		163,441.00
Patriotic Purposes		850.00
Conservation Commission		1,877.00
Long Term Debt Principle		93,571.00
Long Term Debt Interest		14,329.00
Interest on Line of Credit		10,000.00
Water		150,459.00
Sewer		171,541.00
Total	3,724,910.00	3,720,985.00

- Article #8** Shall we adopt the provision of RSA 31:95-c to restrict fifty percent (50%) of revenues from Incinerator/Recycling Facility dump sticker sales, scale house fees, and recycling, to expenditures for the purpose of upgrading and maintaining the Incinerator/Recycling Facility including, but not limited to, site work, purchase of equipment and materials, and repairs and improvements to existing equipment and facilities? Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Incinerator/Recycling Facility fund, separate from the General Fund. Any surplus in said Fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said Fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the Fund or source of revenue. (Majority vote required) (Ballot vote required) (Submitted by petition) (Recommended by Selectmen 2-1) (Not recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #9** To see if the Town will vote and to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) for the repair and improvement of Town Roads. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #10** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) for repairs and improvements to Town Recreation Facilities. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

- Article #11** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to be added to Capital Reserve Fund for improvements to the Solid Waste Facility and to appoint the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #12** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to add to the Highway Department's Capital Reserve Fund. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #13** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand ten dollars (\$2,010.00) for repairs or maintenance at the Town Cemeteries. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #14** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of sixty-three thousand two hundred seventy dollars (\$63,270.00) for the purpose of paying the Ossipee Water System's bond payment for (1) year. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #15** To raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00) for Tri-County Community Action for the purpose of continuing services for the Fuel Assistance Program for the residents of Ossipee. (Majority vote required) (Submitted by petition) (Not Recommended by Selectmen 0-3) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #16** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a three year lease-purchase agreement for two police cruisers with equipment at a total cost of thirty-eight thousand nine hundred thirty-two dollars (\$38,932.00) and to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand nine hundred seventy-eight dollars (\$12,978.00) for the first year's payment. This lease contains an escape clause. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #17** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$ 3,500.00) to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund previously established, for the purpose of purchasing fire apparatus for the Forest Fire Warden's Department and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #18** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to upgrade the Avitar Computer System to enable sketching. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

- Article #19** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a three year lease-purchase agreement for the purchase of a 2005 F-559 heavy-duty truck at a total cost of fifty-four thousand fifty-three dollars (\$54,053.00), and to raise and appropriate eighteen thousand eighteen dollars (18,018.00) for the first year's payment. This lease contains an escape clause. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #20** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for a local Main Street Program. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 2-1) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #21** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for the purpose of adding to the previously established Expendable Trust for the future replacement of computer equipment and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agent to expend. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #22** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease for no more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per year a portion of land to Long Sands Beach. The first year's lease cost to be taken from the Town's surplus. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #23** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to be withdrawn from Surplus to be spent at the discretion of the Board of Selectmen for construction to the land to establish the Proposed Ossipee Lake Beach. Funds to be used only after a contract has been completed with the State, leasing a portion of land for access to the beach to the Town. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #24** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) to the Green Mountain Conservation Group to help defray the costs of their Water Quality Monitoring Program for the tributaries of Lake Ossipee that flow through the town and the part of the lake within the town. Information collected will assist Ossipee planners with future drinking water protection and water use planning. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by the Conservation Committee). (Recommended by Selectmen 2-1) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee)
- Article #25** To see if the Town will approve the cost items contained in a collective bargaining agreement between the Town and AFSCME Local 534 covering the period between April 1, 2005 and March 31, 2008; those additional cost items attributable to the increase in salaries and

benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year totaling seventeen thousand nine hundred seventy dollars (\$17,970.00) in the first contract year; eighteen thousand six hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$18,687.00) in the second contract year; and twenty thousand six hundred ten dollars (\$20,610.00) in the third contract year; and to raise and appropriate seventeen thousand nine hundred seventy dollars (\$17,970.00) for the first year. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article #26 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to be deposited in the expendable trust fund (Species Control Fund) created last year for the purpose of preventing and treating milfoil in Ossipee Lake. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0)(Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article #27 To see if the voters of Town wish the Selectmen to support a grant application (CDBG) in the amount of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) for the Sandy Ridge Estates for upgrading the park. (Majority vote required) (Not recommended by Selectmen 0-3) (Not recommended by Budget Committee)

Article #28 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000.00) to be used for addition to the Police Station. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 2-1) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article #29 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-two thousand seven hundred forty-nine dollars (\$22,749.00) for the purpose of replacing the front windows and doors of the Town Hall, constructing a storage area on the back of the Town Hall, and installing new lights in the Highway Garage. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0) (Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article #30 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen thousand four hundred ten dollars (\$17,410.00) for the purpose of upgrading the electrical service entrance for three (3) phase power for future 600 amps roto phase for new baler and wiring for the baler at the Incinerator facility. Price includes labor and materials. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0)

Article #31 To see if the Town will vote to maintain year-round the easterly portion of Circuit Road that begins at its intersection with Granite Road near the Leighton Corners intersection, and continuing approximately 2/10ths of a mile to the crest of the hill just beyond (west of) the existing driveway serving the Douglas Ridge residence (Tax Map 25, Lot 94). This portion of Circuit Road is currently designated as a "summer road" and is not supposed to be maintained by the Town from December 10th to April 10th. (Majority vote required) (Recommended by Selectmen 3-0)

Article #32 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,000.00 to support the Kingswood Youth Center. This organization provides programs and services to students from all towns that are part of the Governor Wentworth Regional School District. Located just down the street from Kingswood High School, the Youth Center offers programs that are productive, informative, interactive and safe for after school learning and social growth. In the year 2003-2004 over 7,100 student hours were provided with exciting activities. Teens participate in programs such as sewing, painting, ceramics, poetry, chess, yoga, web design and basketball. (Submitted by petition) (Majority vote required) (Not Recommended by Selectmen 0-3) (Not Recommended by Budget Committee)

Article #33 We the undersigned would like to have the position of Dog Officer/Dog Warden to be an elected position, not an appointed position by the Selectmen. (Submitted by petition) (Majority vote required)

Article #34 To hear reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers thereof.

Article #35 To conduct any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 17th day of February, 2005

TOWN OF OSSIPEE

By its Board of Selectmen

Joseph G. Chromy

Peter A. Olkkola

Harry C. Merrow

Personally appeared the above-named Harry C. Merrow, Peter A. Olkkola, and Joseph G. Chromy, or a majority of them, Selectmen of the Town of Ossipee, and took oath that the foregoing is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge and belief. Before me,

Martha B. Eldridge,

Justice of the Peace

My Commission expires 05/29/07

PHONE LISTINGS

Ambulance / Fire / Rescue911

CAP (Community Action Program)323-7400

Courts

Ossipee District Court539-4561

Probate Court539-4123

Superior Court539-2201

Emergency Management Operations Center539-2011

Fire Permits

Ctr. Ossipee Station539-4401

Deputy Warden Cullen539-6900

Ossipee Corner Station539-2407

Warden Brown539-5290

W. Ossipee Station539-6906

Chief Eldridge539-5636

No permit needed when there is a complete snow covered ground....but you MUST call
539-2263 to give time and day of burn.

OCC (Ossipee Concerned Citizens)539-6851

Senior Meals Program539-6851

WIC Program539-6821

Child Care / Preschool539-6772

Police Department

Ossipee539-2011

Sheriff's Department539-2284

Tamworth, Troop E Registry323-8326

Schools

Superintendent of Schools569-1658

Ossipee Elementary539-4589

Effingham Elementary539-6032

Kingswood Middle School569-3689

Kingswood High School569-2055

ASSESSING & SELECTMEN'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
(603) 539-4181

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

(603) 539-4181

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

2nd Wednesday - 7:00 PM (603) 539-4181

DOG WARDEN

Position Vacant

OSSIPEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

(603) 539-2011

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Bi-Monthly Meetings - 4th Tuesdays
(603) 539-4181

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM

May thru October

Tues. thru Sat. - 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Arletta Paul, Curator - (603) 539-7723

INCINERATOR

Sun. 9:00 AM - 1 PM; Mon. & Tues. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Thur. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Winter, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Summer

Fri. & Sat. 9:00 AM 4:00 PM
(Permit \$5 - Selectmen's Office)

(603) 539-4121

LIBRARY

Monday 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday & Wednesday 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

(603) 539-6390

PLANNING BOARD

First and Third Tuesdays

Work sessions as needed on remaining Tuesdays

(603) 539-4181

RECREATION DEPARTMENT HOURS

As needed - Answering Machine: (603) 539-1307

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Fri. 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM (603) 539-2008

WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT

Tues. & Thurs. 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

(603) 539-7150

Emergency Pager: (603) 385-3748

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

2nd Tuesday 7:00 PM (603) 539-4181

ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Dave Senecal

Mon. - Fri. 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

(603) 539-4181